A BOOK OF PRAYER

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PREFACE

At the request of the Ritual Committee, the author of this modest Book of Prayer was requested to arrange a series of services for "Congregation Rodeph Shalom," to be used during the Sunday Services, which were introduced in Pittsburgh during the first year of his rabbinate. From week to week the services were written and used by the Congregation in pamphlet form.

The Committee thought it best to preserve the services in book form, for constant use by the Congregation. Hence this little work, which has been printed by the unanimous vote of the members of "Rodeph Shalom." The thirty services are uniform in method, but differ in contents each week. Although written solely for the author's congregants, they are adapted (with but trifling changes) to the use of congregations holding Friday evening or Sunday morning services, or of small communities, where laymen may conduct services for their co-religionists.

A word as to arrangement. The author has striven to use the language of Scripture. The Old

Testament passages have been used, with very few alterations, with a view to furnishing the worshipper with texts dealing with the most important Jewish themes. The hymns have been carefully selected after consulting a large number of hymnals, and have been chosen chiefly for their religious and moral teachings. The Kaddish has been freely translated, the special object of the author being to make clear that it is a prayer sanctifying the name of God in the hour of trial, a prayer in memory of the dead, and not a prayer for the repose of the soul of the dead.

If this book, in a small degree, add to the dignity of the weekly services and cause an increased interest to be taken in public worship; if it move the congregants to feel a little stronger desire for spiritual exercises and lead the worshippers to join heartily in the reading of the prayers, the labor entailed in writing the various compositions and in selecting the Old Testament Readings and Hymns, will be well repaid. J. L. L.

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SERVICE I.

PROEM.

Rabbi:

OUR Father in Heaven! favored by Thy eternal love, we have been permitted to rejoice in the light of another day. We consecrate its opening hours to Thee, in this house, sacred to Thy holy name. How amiable are Thy tabernacles, O Lord, Thy dwelling-place, our King and God! A day spent here is better than a thousand elsewhere; we had rather be doorkeepers of Thy house, than rulers in the high places of wickedness. Here we prostrate ourselves and bow in lowly reverence before Thee, O Lord. Accept the tribute of our praise which we lay before Thee in the spirit of confiding children, grateful for Thy fatherly favors and protecting grace. Give ear to our petition and be Thou attentive to the voice of our prayer. Hear and answer each of us according to our needs. As we worship Thee with heart and soul and mind, may we draw from Thee the power to order our lives according to Thy holy will. Amen.

COME TO PRAYER!—(Psalm 100.)

(To be sung by Choir and Congregation.)

All people that on earth do dwell,
Sing to the Lord with cheerful voice;
Him gladly serve, His praise forth tell,
Come ye before Him and rejoice.

Know ye, the Lord is God indeed;
Without our aid He did us make;
We are His flock, He doth us feed;
And for His sheep He doth us take.

Oh enter then His gates with praise,
Approach with joy His courts unto;
Praise, laud and bless His name always
For it is seemly so to do.

Because the Lord our God is good,
His mercy is forever sure;
His truth at all times firmly stood,
And shall from age to age endure.

—W. Kethe.

GLORIFICATION.

Rabbi:

Almighty God, who wast, who art, and who forever wilt be, we draw nigh to Thee this day, reverently meditating on Thy wondrous work. The heavens, hanging like a veil more radiantly blue

than the sapphire, or stretched as a curtain to cover the earth as it sleeps, declare Thy unspeakable glory; the earth, wreathed with many-hued flowers or festooned with the bounty of harvest-time, shews forth Thy providential grace. The brilliant sun and the calm moon shedding their wealth of golden and silver light, and the unnumbered stars glittering in the darkened sky like a chaplet of jewels around the dusky head of night, speak of Thy majesty. The mighty deep, madly rearing aloft its foam-crested waves, or lazily moving, like a bird with unruffled plumage, proclaims Thy might. Man, Thy child and all animal creation, are tributes to Thy ineffable greatness and unutterable splendor. Thou art our Lord, besides Thee there is no Saviour or Redeemer. Before Thee every knee must bend, to Thee alone every tongue swear loyalty. Therefore do we acknowledge Thee, our Father, and prayerfully beseech Thee:

(*Rabbi and Congregation read this Petition together.*)

Our God, who art in heaven, may the unity of Thy name be proclaimed throughout the world. May the kingdom of righteousness be speedily established on earth. May we accept whatsoever Thou sendest us, saying: This is from the Lord; let Him do what seemeth Him right. Remove our sins far from us and forgive us according to Thy loving kindness. Help us to be pure of heart and

clean of hands. May we deal with our fellow-men as Thou, God, dealest with us, doing justice, loving mercy, seeking equity. May we always bear ourselves as though we felt that Thou God dost see us. May we add to the good in the world and strive to overcome the evil. Grant us sustenance for soul and body and cause the work of our hands to prosper. We humbly pray Thee to be with us in all the ways we go, and may we sanctify Thy name in life and death through the words of our holy teacher, "Hear, O Israel, the Eternal is our God, the Eternal is One."

(*Choral Response.*)

שמע ישראל יהוה אלהינו יהוה אחד.

(*Deut. vi., 4.*)

OLD TESTAMENT READINGS.

(*For Rabbi, Congregation and Choir respectively.*)

GOD.

Rabbi:

The Lord is the true God,
He is the living God and everlasting King.

CONGREGATION:

Men shall know that Thou, Jehovah,
Art the Most High over all the earth.

Choir:

Holy, Holy, Holy is the Lord of Hosts:
The whole earth is full of His glory.

To whom then will ye liken God?
What likeness will ye compare unto Him?

Who is like Thee, O God, among the mighty?
Who is like Thee, glorious in holiness?

I am God and there is none else,
I am God and there is none like Me.

Thus saith the Lord, the King of Israel,
And his Redeemer, the Lord of hosts:

I am the first and I am the last,
And besides Me there is no God.

I, even I, am the Lord,
And besides Me there is no Savior.

Of old Thou laid'st the earth's foundations,
And the heavens are the work of Thy hands.

Thy works may perish; Thou shalt endure;
All of them may wax old like a garment:

But Thou art forever the same,
And Thy years know no end.

Before mountains were brought forth,
Or ever Thou hadst formed the earth:

From everlasting to everlasting,
Thou art God.

Blessed be the Lord God, the God of Israel,
Who alone doeth wondrous things. Amen.

PRAYER.

Rabbi:

Lord God we come before Thee this day fully conscious that our frame is dust and that our hearts are easily overcome by the glamor and attractions of the earth. The heaven and the heaven of heavens cannot contain Thee yet Thou dost most graciously deign to dwell in our hearts, if we but prepare them for Thee. Help us, Lord, in our endeavor to cleanse our hearts from evil and be pleased to permit Thy sanctifying influence to dwell within us. If we have a heart of stone, do Thou, O God, in Thy mercy, make it a heart of flesh, full of pity and sympathy, full of mercy and love. May our bodies become holy temples, consecrated by Thy divine spirit within us.

Thou art a God delighting in mercy; may we, in our service of Thee, not be deaf to the appeal of

the needy. Help us to display our love for Thee by the exercise of loving-kindness towards our fellow-men. May we feel that to unselfishly plead the cause of the widow and the orphan, to disinterestedly lift up the fallen and the distressed, to generously support the sorrowing and the unfortunate, is to offer Thee the sacrifices, whose sweet savor is ever pleasing to Thee and whose usefulness will always be blessed of Thee. For thou, O God, desirest mercy, and not the offering of bulls and rams.

We pray for the outpouring of Thy grace upon all men. As the days pass, may we see more and more clearly, that Thou art our Father in heaven and we are all Thy children, that though we create barriers between each other, Thou, our Father, regardest none of them, and sufferest no impediment to exist between Thy all-embracing love and us. May a fellowship spring up between all men, cemented and strengthened by our worship of Thee, the one and only God. Hasten the day, when the shadows of strife and the darkness of ignorance and the blackness of bigotry shall disappear and the light of true religion shall spread its quickening and inspiriting influence among men. May the day be near at hand when the ransomed hosts of mankind shall sing to Thee a new song of praise and gratitude in the world-wide Zion of Righteousness.

Bless every effort that is made by men, of whatsoever belief, to raise their fellowmen. Bless every undertaking that has for its object the betterment of humanity. Bless our homes and make them the abode of love and bless our country that peace may dwell within its gates. Send Thy divine consolation to all those, who sit in the shadow of sickness or sorrow. Be Thou their stay and comforter. Enrich them, by Thy help, to draw from adversity its holy and sweet uses. Through the clouds that gather around them may they behold the sun of righteousness appear, with healing on its wings.

May we learn to put our faith in Thee and trust Thee in every condition of life and may all mankind acknowledge Thee as the God who may be best worshipped in the beauty of holinesss, adoring Thee in the words that angel choirs chant unto Thee:

Holy, Holy, Holy, is the Lord of hosts, the whole world is full of His glory. Amen.

(*Choral Response.*)

קדוש קדוש קדוש יהוה צבאות מלא כל הארץ כבודו.

(*Isaiah vi., 3.*)

(*The Rabbi shall read the Ten Commandments or a selection from the Scriptures, appropriate to the Lecture of the Day.*)

FOR THE BEREAVED.

Rabbi:

Almighty God, in whose hand are the souls of all the living and with whom do dwell the spirits of those who depart hence, we pray Thee to be nigh unto all who mourn for dear ones, gone to their eternal rest and unto all who, to-day, observe the anniversary of the death of beloved relatives or friends.

Speak Thou comfortingly to their troubled hearts, and aid them to look up to Thee, who art throned in the heavenly heights, whence shall come their help. As they pass through the dark valley of the shadow of death, be Thou their stay and their staff. Heal their breaking hearts and bind up their bleeding wounds, by teaching them to realize that the dust alone has returned to dust, while the spirit of their beloved dead has returned to Thee, who gavest it. As a mother comforteth her child, so, O Father, be Thou pleased to dispense consolation unto them. Be Thou an everlasting light to them, even though the sun of their happiness be gone down and the brightness of their joy be dimmed. Dispose them to see that all Thy ways are designed for the eternal welfare of Thy children, and enable them to bow resignedly to Thy decrees.

Lord God, turn their mourning into a hallowed

joy. As they here piously honor the memory of their departed may they not be content simply to indulge in tears of regret and sobs of sorrow May they dedicate themselves, in memory of their beloved to lives of holy deeds, replacing thorns by flowers, tears by smiles and sorrow by happiness, for others. May they thus add an immortality on earth to the immortality enjoyed with Thee by their departed

May this service lead us all to take to heart the frailty of our earthly life. May we strive to be worthy children of our heavenly Father. May we so live that we shall always be prepared to answer Thy call, whenever Thou shalt take us unto Thee. In that supreme moment may we be found worthy of entering into rest with Thee, and may our lives have been such that they shall be worthy of the remembrance of our posterity Amen.

KADDISH.

(*As a tribute to the memory of the Departed, the whole Congregation shall rise.*)

יתגדל ויתקדש שמה

רבא. בעלמא די ברא

כרעותה. וימליך מלכותה.

בחייכון וביומיכון ובחיי

Let us exalt the Most High God in the world which He called into existence by His will. May His Kingdom come. May the reign of righteousness

דכל בית ישראל. בעגלא
ובזמן קריב. ואמרו אמן:

יהא שמה רבא מברך.
לעלם ולעלמי עלמיא:

יתברך וישתבח ויתפאר
ויתרומם ויתנשא ויתהדר
ויתעלה ויתהלל שמה די
קדשא בריך היא. לעלה מן
כל ברכתא ושירתא
תשבחתא ונחמתא
דאמירן בעלמא, ואמרו
אמן:

על ישראל ועל צדיקיא.
ועל כל מן דאתפטר מן
עלמא הדין כרעותה די

be introduced on earth in our days, so that Israel and all the children of men may rejoice in the spread of justice and equity.

Our thoughts are too feeble to encompass God; our minds too weak to comprehend Him, for He is exalted high above the heavens, and He abides through eternity. We, therefore, bow before Him; we praise and bless His glorious name and worship Him in the beauty of holiness.

May God grant a living power to the example of all the righteous who have gone to their eternal repose. May their memory be fruitful in

אלהא. יהא להון שלמא
רבא וחלקא טבא לחיי
עלמא דאתי. וחסדא ורחמי
מן קדם מרי שמיא
וארעא. ואמרו אמן:

יהא שלמא רבא מן
שמיא וחיים. עלינו ועל כל
אחינו ואמרו אמן:

עשה שלום במרומיו.
הוא יעשה שלום עלינו ועל
כל בניו ואמרו אמן:

blessing. May our knowledge of them bring many unto righteousness and our meditation on their works move us to do God's holy will. May their names remain upon our lips, their memorial endure beyond the grave and their influence conquer death.

May God grant consolation in the hour of grief unto Israel and unto all His children. May He who maintains harmony among the heavenly hosts, maintain the harmony of equity and justice among all His children. Amen.

(*A Voluntary shall be played on the organ, the Congregation bowing in silent private devotion.*)

ANTHEM.

LECTURE.

THE LORD OF HOSTS.

(*To be sung by Choir and Congregation.*)

Round the Lord in glory seated
  Cherubim and seraphim
Filled His temple, and repeated
  Each to each the alternate hymn:
"Lord, Thy glory fills the heaven,
  Earth is with Thy fullness stored;
Unto Thee be glory given,
  Holy, Holy, Holy Lord."

Heaven is still with glory ringing,
  Earth takes up the angels' cry,
"Holy, Holy, Holy," singing,
  "Lord of Hosts, the Lord most High."
With His seraph train before Him.
  With His worshippers below,
Thus unite we to adore Him,
  Bid we thus our anthem flow:

"Lord, Thy glory fills the heaven,
  Earth is with Thy fullness stored;
Unto Thee be glory given,
  Holy, Holy, Holy Lord."
Thus Thy glorious Name confessing,
  With Thy angel hosts we cry
"Holy, Holy, Holy," blessing
  Thee, the Lord of Hosts most high.

—R. Mant.

BENEDICTION.

SERVICE II.

PROEM.

Rabbi:

O LORD our God, how excellent is Thy name through all the earth. The dawning light brings us, each day, proofs of Thy providence, gifts of Thy grace, tokens of Thy love. In deep gratitude for Thy unmerited tender mercies are we assembled in Thy house to pour out our hearts to Thee in prayer, to lay our supplications before Thee, and to lift our voices in thanksgivings. May our words become holy songs and our deeds sacred choruses wherewith to praise Thee, O Lord. Incline Thy ear unto us and do Thou graciously hearken unto us. Thou Guardian of Israel who neither slumberest nor sleepest, be our guide, and aid us to walk in the light of Thy truth. Here in Thy presence may our inclinations be subdued, and our thoughts be subjected, to Thy holy will. May we carry with us hence the resolution to live as is seemly in Thy children, walking uprightly and doing good to all our fellowmen. May our service be as pleasant to Thee as was the offering of Judah and Jerusalem in the days of old. May the words of our lips and the meditation of our hearts be acceptable before Thee, our Rock and our Redeemer. Amen.

LORD OF ALL BEING!

(To be sung by Choir and Congregation.)

Lord of all being, throned afar,
Thy glory flames from sun and star;
Centre and soul of every sphere,
Yet to each loving heart how near.

Sun of our life, thy quickening ray
Sheds on our path the glow of day;
Star of our hope, thy softened light
Cheers the long watches of the night.

Lord of all life, below, above,
Whose light is truth, whose warmth is love,
Before Thy ever-blazing throne
We ask no lustre of our own.

Grant us Thy truth to make us free,
And kindly hearts that burn for Thee,
Till all thy living altars claim
One holy light, one heavenly flame.

—O. W. Holmes.

GLORIFICATION.

Rabbi:

Father of all! Thou art exceedingly great, with honor and with glory art Thou clothed. Thy children praise Thee for Thy bounty and bless Thy holy name for Thy mercy and Thy truth. If all the trees of the

forests were pens and all the rivers and oceans were ink; if our lips sent forth songs as many as the drops of the morning dew, and our tongues spoke words of joy more numerous than the blades of grass on earth's bosom, we should but feebly express our love and reverence for Thee, Our Lord, and our father's God. Having Thee we possess all; possessing everything without Thee, what have we? When Thou art with us, the night shineth as the day; if Thou hide Thy face from us, even the noon-day brightness is dark. If Thou art on our side we fear not what man may do unto us, for Thy love is a shield to ward off the pestilential arrows of hate and strife. In sincere gratitude we bow before Thy unending goodness; in deep humility we prostrate ourselves before Thy greatness and prayerfully we beseech Thee:

(*Rabbi and Congregation read this Petition together.*)

Our God, who art in heaven, may the unity of Thy name be proclaimed throughout the world. May the kingdom of righteousness be speedily established on earth. May we accept whatsoever Thou sendest us, saying: This is from the Lord; let Him do what seemeth Him right. Remove our sins far from us and forgive us according to Thy loving kindness. Help us to be pure of heart and clean of hands. May we deal with our fellowmen as Thou, God, dealest with us, doing justice, loving mercy, seeking equity. May we always

bear ourselves as though we felt that Thou God dost see us. May we add to the good in the world and strive to overcome the evil. Grant us sustenance for soul and body and cause the work of our hands to prosper. We humbly pray Thee to be with us in all the ways we go, and may we sanctify Thy name in life and death through the words of our holy teacher, "Hear, O Israel, the Eternal is our God, the Eternity is One."

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(*Deut. vi., 4.*)

OLD TESTAMENT READINGS.

(*For Rabbi, Congregation and Choir respectively.*)

GOD.

Rabbi:

Can'st thou by searching find out God?
Can'st thou perfectly find out the Almighty?

CONGREGATION:

As for the Almighty we cannot find Him out,
But He is excellent in power and full of justice.

Choir:

God is great, but we know Him not fully;
The number of His years cannot be searched out.

Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised;
And His greatness is unsearchable.

Honor and majesty are before Him,
Strength and beauty are in His sanctuary.

Clouds and darkness are round about Him,
Righteousness and justice are His dwelling.

Lo! the heaven and heaven of heavens,
Cannot contain thee, O God!

Can one hide himself and God not see?
Does not God fill heaven and earth?

Whither shall I go from Thy Spirit?
Whither shall I flee from Thy presence?

If I ascend to heaven Thou art there;
If I descend to lowest depths, Thou art there;

If I take the wings of the morning,
And dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea,

Even there shall Thy hand lead me,
And Thy right hand hold me.

Thine, O Lord, are greatness and majesty;
Thine is the kingdom, Thou reignest over all.

Thou art good and doest good;
Thy mercy is over all Thy works.

O Lord God of Israel, Thou art righteous;
There is no unrighteousness in Thee.

PRAYER.

Rabbi:

It is because of Thy great mercies, O God, that we are not consumed. We forget Thee while following the desires of our own hearts, enchanted by the attractions that meet our gaze. We spend our money for that which is not bread, and drink waters that are not drawn from the wells of salvation. We make our own will our law, setting aside Thy commands and even refusing to follow Thy holy precepts. We do that which we ought not do and leave undone that which we ought to do. We are sinful, erring creatures, and it is out of the wealth of Thy loving kindness that we are spared unto this day.

In deep contrition we confess the error of our ways before Thee and pray Thee, O God, to help us to be worthy of Thy Fatherly love and unending goodness. Look with favor upon us and grant us the light of Thy countenance that we may see the right way and cling to it with all our heart and soul and might. May we leave the ways of evil and follow Thee. May we set aside selfishness and hardness of heart, stiff-neckedness and all manner of uncharitableness and may we, through Thy help, take hold of Thy law, and following it, find its ways, ways of pleasantness and all its paths, peaceful and life-giving.

Lord, God, guide us by the right hand of Thy omnipotence. Help us to be worthy of the inherit-

ance left us by our fathers. Despised and rejected of men, they, nevertheless, felt they were not forsaken by Thee. Stoned and burned, hewn asunder and put to death in cruel and heartless manner, they never lost faith in Thee. In dungeons and on scaffolds, in prisons and at the stake, they never denied Thee, nor sought higher honor than to die testifying to Thy Unity and Eternity, Thy justice and Thy mercy. May we strive to emulate their pious example. May Israel be glorified through us. May we deserve to be enlisted among those chosen of Thee, even though men condemn us and make us a byword and a scorn.

We pray that Thou wilt grant Thy gracious blessings to our men. May they be brave and loyal, devoted and faithful, self-consecrating and self-sacrificing. May they strive to merit Thy approval, seeking to serve Thee in sincerity and in truth. Bless also our women. May they be tender and true, full of pity and grace, fearless and fair. May they gather their dear ones around them by the silken bands of love. May they be as wreaths of flowers for brightness and sweetness and smiles of joy for gentleness and truth. Bless also our young. May the hopes we cherish regarding them be fulfilled, and may they become the corner-stones of Thy house.

We humbly ask Thy blessing for all men. May Thy benediction fall upon them as the gentle rain falls upon the earth. May peace spread her pinions

over our land and over all the world. May the trumpet of war cease to be heard. May swords be sheathed and all cruelty be forgotten. May the bright day of liberty and truth, of reverence for God and helpfulness for man, begin to dawn, and may its light shine brighter and brighter unto the perfect day. Humbly do we ask this of Thee, Thou God of whom seraphim and cherubim call one unto the other:

Holy, Holy, Holy, is the Lord of hosts. the whole world is full of His glory. Amen.

(*Choral Response.*)

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(*See Page 15.*)

ANTHEM.

LECTURE.

GOD'S OMNIPRESENCE. (*Psalm 139.*)

(*To be sung by Choir and Congregation.*)

O Lord, Thy all-discerning eyes
My inmost purpose see;
My deeds, my words, my thoughts arise
Alike disclosed to Thee!
My sitting down, my rising up,
Broad noon and deepest night;
My path, my pillow and my cup
Are open to Thy sight.

Before, behind, I meet Thine eye
And feel Thy heavy hand;
Such knowledge is for me too high
To reach or understand;
What of Thy wonders can I know?
What of Thy purpose see?
Where from Thy Spirit shall I go?
Where from Thy presence flee?

If I ascend to heaven on high,
Or make my bed below,
Or take the morning wings and fly,
O'er ocean's ebb and flow,
Or seek from Thee a hiding place
Amid the gloom of night—
Alike to Thee are time and space,
The darkness and the light.

—J. Q. Adams.

BENEDICTION.

SERVICE III.

PROEM.

Rabbi:

WITH thanksgiving and praise, we enter Thy gates, O Lord; with reverence and love we bend before Thee. We declare Thee our only God and King; we proclaim Thy glory before all men. In Thy presence we bow with humble and contrite hearts, and in honor of Thy holy name we bring our morning sacrifice. Accept the offering which we lay upon Thy altar. Grant Thy blessing upon the holy undertaking that brings us before Thee. O Lord, open Thou our lips and may our mouths shew forth Thy praise. Amen.

SPIRIT OF TRUTH.

(*To be sung by Choir and Congregation.*)

Spirit of Truth, be Thou my Guide,
O clasp my hand in Thine;
And let me never quit Thy side,
Thy comforts are divine.

Pride scorns Thee for Thy lowly mien;
But who like Thee can rise
Above this toilsome sordid scene,
Beyond the holy skies.

Weak is Thine eye, and soft Thy voice;
But wondrous is Thy might
To make the wretched soul rejoice,
And give the simple light.

—J. Martineau.

GLORIFICATION.

Rabbi:

Almighty God! Thou art the first and Thou art the last and besides Thee, there is no God. Wherever we turn our eyes or bid our thoughts take flight, there art Thou; here in Thy majesty, there in Thy power, everywhere in Thy love. The heavens are Thy throne and the earth is Thy footstool. All creation, the work of Thy hands, shall pass away; all shall grow old, like a garment fretted by the moth. Like a scroll shall the ends of the earth be rolled together; but Thou art forever the unchanging Father of loving-kindness; Thy years know no end. Illimitable space is but as a mote in the sun's beams before Thee; unending time is but as a day in Thy sight. Thou art the Eternal; this is Thy name forever and Thy memorial throughout

all generations. Thy tender mercies are Thy glory, O Lord. Renewed are they every morning. They cover us as with a garment. They are beyond count as the leaves on the trees of the primeval forests; they outnumber the sands on the sea shore, they are innumerable as the stars, that swing in galaxies in the firmament throbbing with glittering worlds. We praise Thy holy name, we bless Thee for Thy unceasing love, and relying upon Thy infinite and eternal pity, we pray Thee:

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TRUST IN GOD.

Rabbi:

Trust in the Lord with all thine heart;
Lean not upon thine own understanding.

CONGREGATION:

Rest in the Lord, wait patiently for Him;
Fret not because evil-doers prosper.

Choir:

God is a refuge in the day of trouble;
He knoweth them that trust in Him.

O my soul, wait thou only upon God;
For my expectation is from Him.

I wait for the Lord, my soul doth wait,
In His word is my hope.

Truly, my soul waiteth upon God:
From Him cometh my salvation.

Wait on the Lord, be of good courage,
Let thy heart be strong; wait on the Lord.

Trust in the Lord forever;
For in Jehovah is everlasting strength.

Some trust in chariots, and some in horses,
But we trust in the name of our God.

Trust in the Lord; do good;
So shalt thou be established in the land.

Thou shalt know that I am the Lord,
They that trust in Me shall not be moved.

Turn thou to God; do mercy and justice,
And wait on thy God continually.

How excellent is thy loving-kindness, O God;
The children of men put their trust in Thee.

Thou art our hope, O Lord God:
Thou art our trust, from our youth.

Blessed is the man that trusteth in God,
And whose hope is the Lord.

PRAYER.

Rabbi:

Amid the cares and the burdens, the doubts and the difficulties of life, we turn to Thee for help, O Lord our God. Often is our way dark before us, covered by the shadows of trials and unbelief. Suffering and strife meet us by the wayside, sickness and sorrow lie in wait for us. Friendships, bound by sacred ties, are rent assunder; love, sanctified by Thy name, grows cold. Our courage droops and our peace is disturbed; our hearts are wounded and our souls are disquieted within us. Regrets and discouragements enfold us in their sable pall. Thy messenger, death, with swift, silent wings, enters our households; the vase of human happiness is broken and its precious perfume flows away. We are bowed down under the weight of our sufferings, and we cry to Thee, Who art our fortress and our stronghold, our defense and our ever-present help in the day of trouble.

Aid us, O God, to trust Thee in all our sad experiences. May we look from the earth, with its gloom, to the mountains of light, whence shall come our help. May we cast our burdens upon Thee, and do Thou sustain us. Dispel the clouds that gather about us, so that all fear may vanish before us and hope and faith remain to cheer us. May all of us, whom Thou seest fit to try with dis-

pensations, seemingly harsh and unbearable, find in Thee the stay and support on our sorrow-laden way. Trusting in Thee and reposing faith in Thy inscrutable wisdom, may our hearts be warmed by confidence in Thee and our paths brightened by the assurance that Thou, our Father, doest all things well. May we walk in the green pastures of trust and beside the still waters of faith. Grant us the light of Thy countenance and in Thy light may we see light. As a father, bending to raise his child to fold it in his embrace, casts about it the shadow of his body, so may we feel that the clouds hovering about us are but the shadow of Thy presence gathering near to bless us and to fold us to Thee in pity and in love.

We bless Thy name, O God, for the sorrows of life that may bring us nearer to Thee; and we gratefully praise Thee for the joys of the household, for the peace of our homes, for the success of our efforts, for the happiness that so often floods our days with sunshine and brings us illumination in the night seasons. May we show our appreciation of Thy bounty by lives of holiness and tenderness, of justice and righteousness. May we be faithful in the smaller duties of life as well as in the greater ones. May we be considerate toward the failings of others. May we not be harsh in our judgments of our neighbors. Help us to keep our lips from

guile and our tongues from uttering deceit. May we be humble and modest, realizing that our lives are dependent upon Thy mercy, that our boasted greatness is as nothing before Thee, that our renown is vanity in Thy sight and our fame is less than nothingness in respect of Thee. May we strive to serve Thee in sincerity and truth, assured that the offerings of righteous wills and upright hearts are ever acceptable unto Thee.

We ask Thy blessing upon this congregation. May its cause prosper. May it send out men and women ever ready to do Thy holy will. Send also Thy blessing upon all assemblies gathered together to Thy glory. Though we worship Thee under differing names, Thou art the same One and Universal Father of all Thy children. Be pleased to open our eyes to the bond of brotherhood that should unite all men in Thy covenant of grace and may the day soon dawn, when the united family of mankind shall adore Thee in the words of the prophet:

Holy, Holy, Holy is the Lord of hosts, the whole world is full of His glory. Amen.

(*Choral Response.*)

קדוש קדוש קדוש יהוה צבאות מלא כל הארץ כבודו.

(*Isaiah vi., 3.*)

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FOR THE BEREAVED.

(*See Page 15.*)

ANTHEM.

LECTURE.

IN HIM CONFIDING.

(*To be sung by Choir and Congregation.*)

The clouds hang heavy round my way,
I cannot see;
But through the darkness I believe
God leadeth me.
'Tis sweet to keep my hand in His,
While all is dim;
To close my weary, aching eyes,
And follow Him.

Through many a thorny path He leads
My tired feet;
Through many a path of tears I go,
But it is sweet
To know that He is close to me,
My God my guide.
He leadeth me, and so I walk
Quite satisfied.

—Anon.

BENEDICTION.

SERVICE IV.

PROEM.

Rabbi:

THOU, Lord, art nigh unto all who call upon Thee, to all who call upon Thee in truth. Thou art not a God dwelling afar off, but art very near unto us, even in our hearts, if we so will. Be pleased, our Father, to be with us in this hour, when, with reverence for Thy protecting love and shielding grace, we approach Thy altar with psalms of gratitude, hymns of praise and words of contrition and supplication. We seek Thee when Thou art to be found, we call upon Thee in deep sincerity. May our worship of Thee bring to our hearts the fragrance of Thy love, and may all we do be done to the honor of Thy glorious name. Amen.

MORNING PRAYER.

(*To be sung by Choir and Congregation.*)

Come, my soul, thou must be waking,
Now is breaking
O'er the earth another day;
Come, to Him Who made this splendor
See thou render
All thy feeble strength can pay.

Think that He thy ways beholdeth;
He unfoldeth
Every fault that lurks within;
He the hidden shame glossed over
Can discover,
And discern each deed of sin.

Pray that He may prosper ever
Each endeavor,
When thine aim is good and true;
But that He may ever thwart thee,
And prevent thee,
When thou evil would'st pursue.

—F. R. L. Canitz.

GLORIFICATION.

Rabbi:

Great art Thou, O Lord, and greatly to be praised. Thine is all greatness and might; the whole universe is full of Thy glory. We hear it in the winds sighing over banks of violets, in the majestic roll of the far-resounding thunder, in the merry laughter of the babbling brook. We feel it in the sunshine that puckers the face of the earth with smiles, in the rich perfumes of the variegated flowers, in the lowering clouds and chilling rains. We see it in the abundance of the summer harvests, and in winter's bare and leafless trees. Man, woman and child; bird, beast and fish; mountain,

plain and valley; rock, pebble and metal; sun, storm and cloud; snow, rain and dew, all are manifestations of Thy gracious love, that neither leaves us nor forsakes us. All creation wafts to us evidences of Thy beneficent law and Fatherly mercy. Though we cannot know Thee, altogether, yet the works of Thy hand proclaim Thy goodness, and Thy messengers, the forces of nature, declare Thy almighty greatness. Therefore do we praise Thee and adore Thy great name. Therefore do we revere Thee and love Thee. Therefore do we serve Thee, and Thee alone do we worship. We come before Thee as little children before their father and to our utterance of praise and gratitude we add our words of fervent supplication and humbly pray:

(*Rabbi and Congregation read this Petition together.*)

Our God, who art in heaven, may the unity of Thy name be proclaimed throughout the world. May the kingdom of righteousness be speedily established on earth. May we accept whatsoever Thou sendest us, saying: This is from the Lord; let Him do what seemeth Him right. Remove our sins far from us and forgive us according to Thy loving kindness. Help us to be pure of heart and clean of hands. May we deal with our fellowmen as Thou, God, dealest with us, doing justice, loving mercy, seeking equity. May we always

bear ourselves as though we felt that Thou God dost see us. May we add to the good in the world and strive to overcome the evil. Grant us sustenance for soul and body and cause the work of our hands to prosper. We humbly pray Thee to be with us in all the ways we go, and may we sanctify Thy name in life and death through the words of our holy teacher, "Hear, O Israel, the Eternal is our God, the Eternal is One."

(Choral Response.)

שמע ישראל יהוה אלהינו יהוה אחד.

(Deut. vi., 4.)

OLD TESTAMENT READINGS.

(For Rabbi, Congregation and Choir respectively.)

MAN AND HIS MAKER.

Rabbi:

Thou shalt love the Lord thy God,
With all thy heart, and soul and might.

CONGREGATION:

Thou shalt love the Lord and keep His charge,
His statutes, judgments and commandments.

Choir:

Ye that love the Lord, hate evil;
The Lord preserveth the faithful.

Reverence for God is the beginning of wisdom;
Good understanding has he who keeps His law.

Reverence for God tendeth to life;
He that hath it shall abide satisfied.

Blessed is the man that revereth the Lord,
That greatly delighteth in His commands.

Serve the Lord with reverence,
Rejoice before Him with awe.

Serve the Lord with gladness;
Come before Him with thanksgiving.

Offer unto God thanksgivings;
Pay thy vows to the Most High.

Bless the Lord, O my soul,
And forget not all His benefits.

Sing unto Him, sing psalms unto Him;
Talk ye of all His wondrous works.

Praise ye the name of the Lord,
For His name alone is excellent.

It is meet to give thanks unto the Lord,
To sing praises unto Thy name, O Most High;

To declare Thy mercy in the morning,
And Thy faithfulness in the night seasons.

O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,
For His mercy endureth forever.

PRAYER.

Rabbi:

If Thou, O Lord, shouldst treasure up our iniquity, who could stand before Thee? Thou art a God of justice, holding the guilty responsible for his misdeeds, but Thou art also a God of mercy, a gracious God, slow to anger and full of compassion and truth; Thou offerest to blot out our sins as a cloud is hurried from before the orb of day by the swift winds. As far as the east is from the west, so far, art Thou willing to remove from us our iniquity, if we but return to Thee with willing minds, with pure hearts, with earnest souls.

It is this assurance of Thy pardoning grace that helps us to look up from the depths of our low desires and selfish passions to Thee who dwellest in purity and perfection amid the cherubim. We are weak; Thou art a fortress. We are frail; Thou endurest forever. We are unjust; Thou art eternal justice. We are ungenerous; Thy bounty is as the joys of the summer and the wealth of the autumn. We are petty; Thy goodness is over all creation. We sin; Thou Judge of all the earth art righteousness. We weary of well-doing; Thy tender mercies are an ever-flowing fountain. May the consideration of Thy perfection and of Thy everlasting grace, lead us to strive after holiness, as Thou art holy, and to toil after perfection as Thou art perfect.

Grant us, O God, Thy favor. Deny us what Thou wilt, but do not take from us the hope that Thou wilt answer the sincere prayer of trusting confidence. May our wishes be wise in Thy sight. May we always feel that we cannot break Thy laws without being broken by them. We ask Thee for the spirit of counsel and strength, the spirit of understanding and reverence. May we help Thee to grant us this spirit by studying Thy law, by meditating on it day and night, by fulfilling its behests. Save us, O God, from the folly of asking Thee for Thy bounty, while neglecting Thee by disobeying Thy will.

We beseech Thee to grant us Thy love; may we also be loving towards all men. We invoke the outpouring of Thy pity on us; may our hands be stretched out to the poor and reached out to the needy. We pray Thee to surround us with the cloak of Thy mercy; may we be ever ready to wrap the soft mantle of charity about the unfortunate. We implore Thee to grant us Thy pity; may we be willing to bind up the wounds of the stricken and unhappy. In all things that we ask of Thee, may we prove our worthiness to be answered of Thee, by doing to Thy children in their need, what we pray Thou wilt do for us in our necessity.

Guide us, O Thou great Jehovah, defend us and

help us through this and coming days. In the depths of our hearts may there be undisturbed confidence in Thee. May we take our lower nature and sacrifice it at the shrine of godliness. May our words be gentle and our speech kind. May we be strengthened against temptation and hardy in our service of duty. Like warriors of old may we go forth with the sword of truth, the shield of justice, the armor of righteousness and wage a holy war against all the causes that keep men's minds in bondage, their souls in slavery and their hearts in chains. May our lives be harmonious with Thy will. As Thou art One, so may minkind's unity be established. May the morning soon dawn, when all men, united and ransomed, shall chant to Thee the words sung by choirs of ministering angels:

Holy, Holy, Holy, is the Lord of hosts, the whole world is full of His glory. Amen.

(*Choral Response.*)

קדוש קדוש קדוש יהוה צבאות מלא כל הארץ כבודו.

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FOR THE BEREAVED.

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ANTHEM.

LECTURE.

SOMETHING EACH DAY.

(*To be sung by Choir and Congregation.*)

Something each day,—a word,
We cannot know its power;
It grows in fruitfulness
As grows the gentle flower.
What comfort it may bring
Where all is dark and drear;
For a kind word each day
Makes pleasant all the year.

Something each day,—a thought,
Unselfish, good and true,
That aids another's need
While we our way pursue;
That seeks to lighten hearts,
That leads to pathways clear,
For a helpful thought each day
Makes happy all the year.

Something each day,—a deed
Of kindness and of good,
To link in closer bonds
All human brotherhood.
Oh, thus the heavenly will
We all may do while here;
For a good deed each day
Makes blessed all the year.

—George Cooper.

BENEDICTION.

SERVICE V.

PROEM.

Rabbi:

LORD of the Universe! We come before Thee with the offering of our hearts, putting our trust in Thee. May we be greatly satisfied from the abundant stores of Thy grace and may we drink from the rivers of Thy goodness; for verily, our souls hunger and thirst after Thee, as a tree in a desert land. Lead us, O Lord, in Thy righteousness, make straight Thy way before us. Grant us the joy of Thy presence, as with all our soul, we commune with Thee, who art the fountain of life. May we ever rejoice in Thy service and may we be enabled to go from Thy house, strengthened, uplifted and ready to do Thy holy will. Amen!

ANOTHER DAY.

(To be sung by Choir and Congregation.)

O God, I thank Thee for each sight
Of beauty that Thy hand doth give,
For sunny skies and air and light;
O God, I thank Thee that I live!

That life I consecrate to Thee;
And ever, as the day is born,
On wings of joy my soul would flee,
And thank Thee for another morn.

Another day in which to cast
Some silent deed of love abroad,
That, greatening as it journeys past,
May do some earnest work for God;

Another day to do, to dare,
To tax anew my growing strength,
To arm my soul with faith and prayer,
And so reach heaven and Thee at length.

—Mrs. C. A. Mason.

GLORIFICATION.

Rabbi:

Thou art, O God, the light and life, of all the wondrous universe that meets our gaze, or that, transcending man's vision and understanding, whirls in unending space. Thou art the Source of the incomprehensible energy that manifests Thee in the wondrous forces, doing Thy will and supplying man's needs. Thou art the Cause of the dazzling snows that wind the earth in wintry covering, of the vernal showers that fertilize it when nature revives, of the summer sun that builds up the energies of nature, of the autumn's abundance that supplies

and satisfies our wants. The air is vocal with myriad sounds that evidence Thy divine presence; earth streams with countless fountains of fertility that testify to Thy providence; the seas, under the earth, teem with witnesses of Thy bounty. Our lives are full of joys that speak to us of Thy unmerited goodness, of trials that are gracious messengers to lead us to Thee. The earth is Thine and all the fulness thereof, the universe and all that inhabiteth it. All things are Thine, and from Thy bounteous hand we receive them. Accept, O God, our grateful thanks for Thy gracious goodness. We adore Thee for Thy love toward us and glorify Thy name now and forever. Relying on Thy fatherly mercy and trusting in Thy infinite pity we pray to Thee:

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(*Choral Response.*)

שמע ישראל יהוה אלהינו יהוה אחד.

(*Deut. vi., 4.*)

OLD TESTAMENT READINGS.

(*For Rabbi, Congregation and Choir respectively.*)

ISRAEL.

Rabbi:

Thou hast this day acknowledged, O Israel,
That the Eternal is thy God,

CONGREGATION:

And the Eternal hath acknowledged thee,
To be His people, as He hath promised Thee.

Choir:

Thou shalt be a blessing; and in thee
All the families of the earth shall be blessed.

Hear now, O Jacob my servant,
And Israel whom I have chosen;

Ye are my witnesses, saith the Lord,
My servant, whom I have selected;

Fear not for I am with thee
Be not dismayed, for I am thy God.

I the Lord have called thee in righteousness,
I will keep thee and will hold thine hand;

I give thee for a covenant with the peoples,
And for a light unto the nations.

To open the eyes of the blind,
To bring out the prisoners from the prison.

Thou shalt be a holy people unto the Lord,
For the Lord hath chosen thee unto Himself.

Thou art my servant, O Israel,
Through whom I will be glorified.

Ye shall be called Priests of the Lord,
Men shall call you, Ministers of God.

I will be as the dew unto Israel,
He shall grow as the lily;

His branches shall spread: and his beauty
Shall be as the olive-tree.

They who dwell in his shadow shall revive,
They shall prosper as the corn and grow as the vine.

PRAYER.

Rabbi:

Our Father in heaven, we lift our souls to Thee, seeking peace in the shadow of Thy wings, and strength through the might of Thy love. It is Thy mercy that protects us through the night and Thy goodness that guides us through the day. Through the wilderness of life Thou proceedest before us, leading us by the pillars of light and of cloud, of joys and sorrows, on to the promised land, where, awaking in Thy likeness, we shall abide forever. How often, in our journeying, might we go astray, were it not for the help of Thy word, revealed to us by prophets and seers, the heroes and martyrs of humanity! They have given us the Holy Book, revered by mankind, and we cherish it as our priceless possession. May we find it a lamp unto our feet and a light unto our path. In temptation may it be a shield, in sorrow may it be a consolation, in joy may it be a counsellor, in death may it be a hope. May it help us to set Thee before us continually and having Thee, may we never be moved.

Help us, O God, to make its commands the rules of our life. May we learn from it to do well, to uplift the falling and to release the bound, to bring light to those that sit in the prison-house of ignorance, to bring liberty to those bound in the cells of selfishness. May we consecrate ourselves to the

duty it sets before all men, of learning Thy law as the means of self-elevation and especially may we dedicate ourselves to the mission of Israel, Thy servant, to become the witnesses of Thy existence, Thy righteousness, Thy justice and Thy love.

Lord, God, we trust Thee as did our fathers before us. By their faithfulness a better understanding of Thy ways with men has been vouchsafed unto mankind. Grant, O God, that we may have the courage to remain firm to their convictions, that we may be loyal to their conception of Israel's duty as the servant through whom Thy name shall be spread over all the earth, from the rising of the sun to the setting thereof. May we be true to our high calling as Thy priest-people and, faithful even to death, to the duty of proclaiming Thy name. May we go on, undismayed and unshaken, even though men persecute us and disown us and evilly despite us. We pray Thee that more and more Thy light may shine upon all men, that the day may soon be at hand when all shall acknowledge Thy holy name and adore Thee in the words of our fathers:

Holy, Holy, Holy, is the Lord of hosts, the whole world is full of His glory. Amen.

(*Choral Response.*)

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ANTHEM.

LECTURE.

ON THE FIELD.

(*To be sung by Choir and Congregation.*)

Oh, blest is he to whom is given
The instinct that can tell
That God is on the field, when He
Is most invisible.

And blest is he who can divine
Where real right doth lie,
And dares to take the side that seems
Wrong, to man's blindfold eye.

And right is right, since God is God;
And right the day must win;
To doubt would be disloyalty,
To falter would be sin.

—F. W. Faber.

BENEDICTION.

SERVICE VI.

PROEM.

Rabbi:

LORD of the Universe! Relying on Thy abundant mercies and not on our own righteousness, we offer our supplications before Thee, in this, Thy house, the very gate of heaven. In Thee is our salvation; for Thou art the rock of our strength and refuge. We worship Thee in the beauty of holiness; we pour out our hearts before Thee in reverence for Thy glorious name. Enable us here, O God, to search our ways and to turn again to Thee. Pour out Thy spirit upon us and guide us unto Thee in the way of light and truth. May our prayers be as incense before Thee, and the raising of our hands as a free-will sacrifice. Amen.

A PRAYER.

(*To be sung by Choir and Congregation.*)

I ask not wealth, but power to take
And use the things I have aright;
Not years, but wisdom that shall make
My life a profit and delight.

I ask not that for me the plan
Of good and ill be set aside,
But that the common lot of man
Be nobly borne and glorified.

I know I may not always keep
My steps in places green and sweet,
Nor find the pathway of the deep
A path of safety to my feet.

But pray that, when the tempest's breath
Shall fiercely sweep my way about,
I make not shipwreck of my faith
In the unfathomed sea of doubt.

—Elim.

GLORIFICATION.

Rabbi:

Oh, Lord, most holy, O God most righteous! Who is like Thee among the mighty, who is like Thee glorious in excellence? The heavens are Thy throne and the earth is Thy footstool. The clouds are Thy chariots, Thou walkest on the wings of the wind. Thou makest the winds Thy messengers and flaming fires the servants of Thy will. The universe and all its forces move in wondrous measure, chanting praises to Thee in songs without words. The celestial bodies move in their orbits; the winds wander hither and thither; the rivulets leap and

sparkle in the sunshine; the cataracts sweep down into lake and river and ocean, whose waters flow on, keeping time to the universal rhythm, which is the product of Thy laws. Considerations of love and reverence and gratitude bring us, with bended knee, before Thee, our Lord and only God. Other gods are idols; Thou, Lord of the Universe, alone art God. They have eyes and see not; ears, and hear not; but Thou, the Father of all, lookest with mercy upon all Thy creatures and hearest the petitions of all who, in a contrite and humble spirit, call upon Thee. Hearken to the voice of our cry, our King and God; give ear to our words, and answer us as we pray to Thee:

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Our God, who art in heaven, may the unity of Thy name be proclaimed throughout the world. May the kingdom of righteousness be speedily established on earth. May we accept whatsoever Thou sendest us, saying: This is from the Lord; let Him do what seemeth Him right. Remove our sins far from us and forgive us according to Thy loving kindness. Help us to be pure of heart and clean of hands. May we deal with our fellowmen as Thou, God, dealest with us, doing justice, loving mercy, seeking equity. May we always bear our-

selves as though we felt that Thou God dost see us. May we add to the good in the world and strive to overcome the evil. Grant us sustenance for soul and body and cause the work of our hands to prosper. We humbly pray Thee to be with us in all the ways we go, and may we sanctify Thy name in life and death through the words of our holy teacher, "Hear, O Israel, the Eternal is our God, the Eternal is One."

(Choral Response.)

שמע ישראל יהוה אלהינו יהוה אחד.

(Deut. vi., 4.)

OLD TESTAMENT READINGS.

(For Rabbi, Congregation and Choir respectively.)

RIGHTEOUSNESS.

Rabbi:

Thus saith God: do justice and righteousness;
Deliver the oppressed from the oppressor;

CONGREGATION:

And do no wrong; do no violence to the stranger
Nor to the fatherless, nor to the widow.

Choir:

Seek ye the Lord, all ye meek of the earth,
Seek righteousness, seek meekness.

The way of the wicked
Is an abomination unto the Lord,

But He loveth him
That followeth after righteousness.

In the way of righteousness is life;
In the pathway thereof, there is no death.

He, that followeth after righteousness,
Shall find life, righteousness and honor.

The Lord knoweth the way of the righteous,
But the way of the wicked shall perish.

It shall be our righteousness, if we observe
To do all these commandments before the Lord.

Offer the sacrifices of righteousness,
And trust in the Lord.

The righteous Lord loveth righteousness;
His countenance beholdeth the upright.

The work of righteousness shall be peace,
The effect of righteousness, quietness and safety.

Lord, who shall abide in Thy tabernacle?
Who shall dwell in Thy holy hill?

He that worketh righteousness,
And speaketh the truth in his heart;

He that backbiteth not with his tongue,
Nor doeth evil to his neighbor.

PRAYER.

Rabbi:

Help us, O God, in our search after Thee, to find Thee in Thy handiwork. No man can see Thee and live. The finite, human mind cannot fully understand Thy nature. We cannot know Thee as Thou art, Eternal and Infinite Creator of all; but Thou hast placed within us Thy monitor, conscience, and Thy agent, reason, by means of which Thy will becomes manifest to us. Clouds and darkness are round about Thee, but justice and righteousness are the habitation of Thy throne. Righteous are all Thy ways, O God, whose name is Jehovah, our Righteousness.

May we make this attribute of Thy perfection our ideal. Dispose us, O God, to study Thy law and may our meditation on Thy word lead us to strive after righteousness. May this grand old word, coined in the spiritual mint of Thy people Israel, be the inspiring theme of our lives. May we long for it as the hunted, heated stag yearns for water-brooks. May we transform this desire into an active principle, so that we invite Thy blessing as a reward for our faithfulness and as a recompense for our devotion to the causes dear to Thee.

We seek Thee, O God, and find Thee in the service we unselfishly render to our fellowmen. Grant us the joy of Thy presence. Setting Thee, the God of righteousness, before us and having Thee with us, we cannot fail to enjoy the highest blessings. Even thorns do not painfully tear the flesh, and nettles do not harmfully sting and rocks and reefs do not grievously cut our feet, as we pass over the rugged, narrow path of life, if Thy sun of righteousness rise for us and illumine the dark places of our wanderings. Grant us Thy help to loose the bands of wickedness, to throw off the yoke of sin and to cling to a righteous ideal all the days of our life.

Bless us all, our Father. Bless those who are gathered here to-day and those who are absent. Send Thy blessing upon all congregations in this and other cities, that are gathered in Thy honor. Bestow Thy benediction upon all ministers of Thy word, who serve Thee in sincerity and in truth. Grant consolation to the sorrow-stricken and strength to the suffering. Hold the cup of Thy consolation to the lips of mourners, and let the rainbow of promise appear before the tear-stained eyes of all who grieve. Sanctify our sorrows, hallow our afflictions, consecrate our trials.

Grant wisdom to all the officers of our land, from our chosen chief in the place of highest authority, to the humblest servant of this great Republic. In serving the cause of this nation, may they dedicate their efforts unto Thee in righteousness and holiness. May it be Thy will, our heavenly Father, that men may worship Thee in the spirit of loving children; that they may learn to see that Thou art best worshipped in peace and love, never by hatred and abuse; that they may strive for the speedy advent of Thy kingdom of righteousness on earth, when war shall cease and strife shall end; when the battle-flag shall be removed, and the standard of love be unfurled; when all men shall praise Thee and adore Thee in the words announced by the seer, who, in beatific vision, saw celestial messengers bend before Thee and exclaim:

Holy, Holy, Holy, is the Lord of hosts, the whole world is full of His glory. Amen.

(*Choral Response.*)

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(*Isaiah vi., 3.*)

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FOR THE BEREAVED.

(*See Page 15.*)

ANTHEM.

LECTURE.

GOD SPEED THE RIGHT.

(*To be sung by Choir and Congregation.*)

Now to heaven our prayer ascending,
God speed the right;
In a noble cause contending,
God speed the right.
Be our zeal in heaven recorded,
With success on earth rewarded,
God speed the right.

Patient, firm and persevering,
God speed the right;
Ne'er the event nor danger fearing,
God speed the right.
Pains nor toils nor trials heeding,
And in heavens time succeeding—
God speed the right.

Still our onward course pursuing,
God speed the right;
Every foe at length subduing,
God speed the right.
Truth our cause, whate'er delay it,
There's no power on earth can stay it;
God speed the right.

—W. E. Hickson.

BENEDICTION.

SERVICE VII.

PROEM.

Rabbi:

DESIRING to be blessed by Thy beneficence, we have gathered at Thy shrine, O God, to worship Thy perfection. Thy word alone satisfies the hunger and thirst of our souls. Bowing here before Thee, in reverence and love, we drink in influences that inspire us to follow Thee and to make Thy will our law. In Thee, O God, do we put our trust. Thou art not a man that Thou shouldst deceive us, but God, even our own God, who art ever nigh unto those who call upon Thee, to bless them at all times with Thy grace and peace. Mayest Thou, O God, be with us now and from this time, henceforth, even forever. Amen.

THE CALL.

(*To be sung by Choir and Congregation.*)

Abide not in the realm of dreams,
O man, however fair it seems;
But with clear eye the present scan,
And hear the call of God and man.

Think not in sleep to fold thy hands,
Forgetful of thy Lord's commands:
From duty's claims no life is free,—
Behold, to-day hath need of thee!

While the day lingers, do thy best.
Full soon the night will bring its rest;
And, duty done, that rest shall be
Full of beatitudes to thee.

—W. H. Burleigh.

GLORIFICATION.

Rabbi:

Before any being was created, Thou wast, Lord God of the spirit of all flesh. From eternity to eteruity, Thou art the same. Thy existence knows no end. Finite mind cannot search out Thy beginning. Thy kingdom is an everlasting kingdom; Thy dominion endures throughout all generations. As is Thy name, Jehovah, the Eternal, so art Thou, the everlasting Father of all men. Through all the long procession of ages, down through limitless aeons, the universe has shown forth Thy wondrous ways and Thy children have sought to praise and glorify Thee. We desire to place ourselves amid the goodly company of Thy humble worshippers. From hut and palace, from metropolis and village; from the mouths of rich and poor, old men and boys, women

and maidens; from the hearts of the prosperous, from the trembling lips of the sore-tried; from the innocent souls of babes, from the learning of the wise, from the investigations of the philosopher, from the patient toil of the laborer; from the feathered tribes of the forests, and from the cattle feeding on a thousand hills, there ascends to Thee a grateful hymn of praise: Behold the Lord God of Israel reigneth and his kingdom is throughout all dominions. Accept our words of adoration. Incline Thy ear unto us. Hear us and answer us as we pray before Thee.

(*Rabbi and Congregation read this Petition together.*)

Our God, who art in heaven, may the unity of Thy name be proclaimed throughout the world. May the kingdom of righteousness be speedily established on earth. May we accept whatsoever Thou sendest us, saying: This is from the Lord; let Him do what seemeth Him right. Remove our sins far from us and forgive us according to Thy loving-kindness. Help us to be pure of heart and clean of hands. May we deal with our fellowmen as Thou, God, dealest with us, doing justice, loving mercy, seeking equity. May we always bear ourselves as though we felt that Thou God dost see us. May we add to the good in the world and strive to overcome the evil. Grant us sustenance for

soul and body and cause the work of our hands to prosper. We humbly pray Thee to be with us in all the ways we go, and may we sanctify Thy name in life and death through the words of our holy teacher, "Hear, O Israel, the Eternal is our God, the Eternal is One."

(Choral Response.)

שמע ישראל יהוה אלהינו יהוה אחד.

(Deut. vi., 4.)

OLD TESTAMENT READINGS.

(For Rabbi, Congregation and Choir respectively.)

JUSTICE AND EQUITY.

Rabbi:

Justice, justice, shalt thou pursue,
In order that thou mayest live.

CONGREGATION:

Thou shalt have a perfect and just weight;
A perfect and just measure, shalt thou have.

Choir:

A false balance is an abomination to God;
A just weight is His delight.

Keep ye justice and do ye equity;
Blessed is the man that doeth this.

Hate evil and love the good;
Establish justice in the gates.

If ye execute justice between each other,
Ye shall dwell in the land forever and ever.

Thou shalt take no bribe; for a bribe
Blindeth the wise and perverteth justice.

Learn to do well, seek justice;
Judge the fatherless, plead for the widow.

Thus saith the Lord, execute true justice,
And show mercy and compassion to each other.

Take away the noise of your festive songs,
For God will not hear their melody:

But let justice flow like a river,
And equity like a mighty cataract.

To do justice and equity is, to God
More desirable than sacrifices.

What doth the Lord require of thee?
To do justice, to love mercy and to walk humbly.

Defend the poor and fatherless,
Do justice to the afflicted and needy.

Blessed are they that keep justice.
That do equity at all times.

PRAYER.

Rabbi:

O Thou, Bestower of all good, we repair to Thee, clinging in loving dependence on Thee and glorying in our responsibility to Thee. Thou dost not ask of us only the offering of our possessions, but also the sacrifice of our weak wills. Thou hast shown us what is good, and hast made it clear that Thou requirest us to love what is merciful, to do what is just and to walk in humility before Thee.

Grant us Thy aid to lead a life consecrated to the holy ideal of justice. May we not refuse to others what we demand for ourselves. May we be willing that others should deal by us as we deal by them. May all our actions be harmonious with the law of truth and right. May we temper our deeds of justice by works of mercy, remembering that to err is human, to forgive, divine. May all our intercourse with our fellow-men be marked by equity.

Lord, God, help us, through a contemplation of Thy attributes of grace and justice, to overcome all uncharitable thoughts and reflections concerning our neighbors. Enable us to attribute good motives to others, to resist the temptation to lower or to under-estimate the goodness and the purity of their intentions. May we keep our tongue from evil and our lips from speaking guile. May our soul be dumb

toward those who seek our harm. May we be fortified against temptation and strengthened against the desire to seek what may prove our undoing. Teach us to love our fellow-men and may we evidence our love by being just in all our dealings. Day by day may we grow nobler, holier, better.

Deign, our Father, to be with the prosperous and aid them to use well the opportunity Thou hast granted them. Be with the sorrow-laden. Even though Thou causest them to drink waters, like unto Marah in bitterness, may they, nevertheless, rise refreshed and satisfied. Be with those upon whom sickness presses sore. May it be Thy will, that the sun of life shall not set, while it is yet day.

Grant to us the joy of a conscience at peace. No home can gratify, no material harvest bless, no food satisfy, no waters slake the thirst, of those oppressed by the sting of conscience. It may seem that, with barns well stocked and possessions unlimited, happiness is theirs, but we do not doubt that their joys are poisoned by remorse, their food turns to ashes, their homes become dungeons, because Thou canst not bless them.

Almighty God, grant that we do that which is altogether just and thus live a noble life, worthy of Thy Fatherly benediction. May we honor Thee by orderly and upright lives. May we ever seek to

please Thee, Lord, God of all, whose attributes are Justice and Righteousness, Equity and Love; Thee, whom the angels praise, calling one to another:

Holy, Holy, Holy, is the Lord of hosts, the whole world is full of His glory. Amen.

(*Choral Response.*)

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FOR THE BEREAVED.

(*See Page 15.*)

ANTHEM.

LECTURE.

THE SEED.

(*To be sung by Choir and Congregation.*)

Now is the seed-time; God alone,
Beyond our vision weak and dim,
Beholds the end of what is sown:
The harvest-time is hid with Him.

Yet unforgotten where it lies,
Though seeming on the desert cast,
The seed of gen'rous sacrifice
Shall rise with bloom and fruit, at last.

And he who blesses most is blest;
For God and man shall own his worth
Who toils to leave as his bequest
An added beauty on the earth.

—J. G. Whittier.

BENEDICTION.

SERVICE VIII.

PROEM.

Rabbi:

FATHER of all, we come into Thy courts to sing before Thee our morning psalm, to bring before Thee the offering of our praise, to pray for Thy help and guidance. Thou art more ready to answer than we are to ask, for Thou art a God of mercy and love. Thou desirest not sacrifice, else would we bring it; thou delightest not in burnt offering. The sacrifices pleasing to Thee, O God, are a broken spirit; a broken and a contrite heart, Thou wilt not despise. In humility and reverence we stand before Thee, beseeching Thee to accept our service and to prosper our undertaking. May our praises and our prayers be acceptable before Thee, and may we add, to the words of our lips, worthy deeds, dedicated to the glory of Thy holy name, and devoted to the welfare of our fellowmen. Amen.

FORWARD!

(*To be sung by Choir and Congregation.*)

Forward! be our watchword,
Steps and voices joined;
Seek the things before us,
Not a look behind;
Burns the fiery pillar
At our army's head;
Who shall dream of shrinking,
By th' Eternal led?
Forward through the desert,
Through the toil and fight;
Jordan flows before us,
Zion beams with light.

Glories upon glories
Hath our God prepared,
By the souls that love Him
One day to be shared:
Eye hath not beheld them,
Ear hath never heard;
Nor of these hath uttered
Thought or speech a word:
Forward, marching onward,
Where the heaven is bright,
Till the veil be lifted,
Till our faith be sight.

—Alford.

GLORIFICATION.

Rabbi:

Almighty God, Thou art Lord of all worlds, Creator of all that pervades unending space. None ever directed Thy Spirit, with none didst Thou take counsel. Nations, before Thee, are as a single drop in the immensity of the heaving ocean; the whole earth is as vanity in respect of Thee. Thou art so unspeakably great that the mind of man bows in humble and reverent homage before Thee.

To whom can we compare Thee, O God? What likeness can we make of Thee? Eternal and Infinite God, we would but profane Thy perfection, were we to institute any similitude between Thee and the works of Thy hands. In all things Thy grandeur excelleth the art of man's power of comparison. The whole universe is Thy temple. The forces of nature are Thy messengers, the servants of Thy will, through which we may gain a glimpse of Thy ineffable greatness. Every flower that adorns the emerald field wafts to Thee the incense of praise; from early morn, till the light of day withdraws behind purple hills, the mountains and meadows are Thy altars on which the sun kindles the sacrificial fires; each night, the quivering stars throb as with sentiments of thanksgiving. Great art Thou, and greatly to be praised; yet Thou dost not despise even the smallest of Thy creatures. There-

fore we praise Thee and glorify Thy name. Therefore, we come before Thee with childlike confidence and fervently pray Thee:

(*Rabbi and Congregation read this Petition together.*)

Our God, who art in heaven, may the unity of Thy name be proclaimed throughout the world. May the kingdom of righteousness be speedily established on earth. May we accept whatsoever Thou sendest us, saying: This is from the Lord; let Him do what seemeth Him right. Remove our sins far from us and forgive us according to Thy loving kindness. Help us to be pure of heart and clean of hands. May we deal with our fellowmen as Thou, God, dealest with us, doing justice, loving mercy, seeking equity. May we always bear ourselves as though we felt that Thou God dost see us. May we add to the good in the world and strive to overcome the evil. Grant us sustenance for soul and body and cause the work of our hands to prosper. We humbly pray Thee to be with us in all the ways we go, and may we sanctify Thy name in life and death through the words of our holy teacher, "Hear, O Israel, the Eternal is our God, the Eternal is One."

(*Choral Response.*)

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(*Deut. vi., 4.*)

OLD TESTAMENT READINGS.

(For Rabbi, Congregation and Choir respectively.)

COURAGE.

Rabbi:

Be strong and of good courage,
Fear not, neither be afraid:

CONGREGATION:

For the Lord, thy God, goeth with thee,
He will not fail thee nor forsake thee.

Choir:

Only be thou strong and very courageous,
And observe to do all this law.

Only deal courageously,
And the Lord shall be with the good.

Is not the Lord among us?
No evil can come upon us.

The wicked flee when no man pursueth,
But the righteous are bold as a lion.

I have set my face as a flint,
I know that I shall not be ashamed.

I will announce Thy testimonies before kings,
Who is he that shall condemn me?

The Lord is on my side,
I fear not what man may do to me.

Fear not, O Jacob, my servant
And thou, Israel, whom I have chosen.

Fear thou not, for I am with thee,
Be not dismayed, for I am thy God.

Wait on the Lord; be of good courage,
And He shall strengthen thine heart.

I will not fear ten thousands of people,
That have set themselves against me.

The Lord is my light and my salvation,
Whom shall I fear?

The Lord is the strength of my life,
Of whom shall I be afraid?

PRAYER.

Rabbi:

O, Thou Eternal and most merciful God, Whose presence fills all space and Whose existence is through all time, we repair to Thee amid the cares and burdens of life, seeking light in following Thee and in meditating on Thy holy word. May we find Thee a pillar of fire amid the darkness that often besets us, and may Thy word be a lamp unto our feet as we pass along rugged and thorny paths.

Thou art our fathers' God. Thou wast with them in the days of trial and misfortune and Thy

promise sustained them in the hours of agony and martyrdom. The waters well-nigh overflowed their souls; the fires seemed about to consume them; but Thou, God, wast nigh to them and didst save the people, through whom, a better understanding of Thy ways with men, has been vouchsafed to humanity. Thou didst suffer none to do harm unto Israel with impunity. In his behalf Thou didst permit no weapon forged against Thy servant to prosper, but Thou didst shatter the uplifted sword, as with a hammer that breaketh the rocks. Thy love hath protected us at all times and round about us, have ever been Thy everlasting arms.

In all ages, O God, Thou hast inspired Thy beloved servants to wage war for truth and right and conscience' sake. Denied and despised were they in their day, but their reward has been great. With faith in Thy grace, they fought for Thy cause, assured that in serving Thee, they were serving their fellow-men. Wreathed and laurelled, praised and honored are they to-day; an uplifted and grateful mankind chants paeans of victory to their precious memory.

Lord God, fill us with their zeal. May we be inspired by their courage. May we possess their faith. May our confidence in Thee lead us to emulate their bravery. May we use their weapons, fol-

low their example and prove ourselves bold champions of truth and righteousness, of mercy and justice. May we possess their fidelity to conviction. With unswerving devotion, with unshaken faith, with unabating confidence, may we follow Thee, even as did those noble examples of human excellence, whose deeds we desire to emulate.

Our Father, may it be Thy will that the days of oppression may soon be over. Hear Thou the cry of the unfortunate, bound by the chains of persecution. Let truth triumph. Hasten the day of blessed promise when the knowledge of Thee shall fill the earth and lead men along the paths of righteousness. Let the day soon dawn when all men shall be blessed by their service of Thee, when all men shall be free, when all men shall praise Thee and acknowledge Thy sanctity, repeating in joy and in peace the words of Israel's inspired writer:

Holy, Holy, Holy, is the Lord of hosts, the whole world is full of His glory. Amen.

(*Choral Response.*)

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ANTHEM.

LECTURE.

THE HEROES.

(*To be sung by Choir and Congregation.*)

Praise to the heroes
  Who struck for the right,
When freedom and truth
  Were defended in fight:
Of blood-shedding hirelings
  The deeds are abhorred,
But the patriot smites,
  And we honour his sword.

Praise to the martyrs
  Who died for the right,
Nor ever bowed down
  At the bidding of might:
Their ashes were cast
  All abroad on the wind,
But more widely the blessings
  They won for mankind.

Praise to the sages,
The teachers of right,
Whose voice in the darkness
Said, "Let there be light."
The sophist may gain
The renown of an hour,
But wisdom is glory,
While knowledge is power.

Heroes, martyrs, and sages,
True prophets of right!
They foresaw, and they made
Man's futurity bright.
Their fame will ascend
Till the world sink in flames;
Be their spirit in all
Who sing praise to their names!

—W. J. Fox.

BENEDICTION.

SERVICE IX.

PROEM.

Rabbi:

FATHER of all, in every clime and in every age adored by Thy children, we most gratefully approach Thee this day to yield Thee hearty thanks for Thy providential care of us and of those dear to us. We seek Thy presence, for where Thou art there are joy and great hope. May we learn, while before Thee, so to number our days that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom. We pray Thee to satisfy us with Thy mercy, which is more precious to us than fine gold, and sweeter to us than the droppings of the honey-comb. Let Thy work appear unto Thy servants and Thy glory unto Thy children. May Thy beauty be upon us. Establish Thou the work of our hands for us; yea, the work of our hands establish Thou it. Amen.

OUR FATHERS' GOD.

(*To be sung by Choir and Congregation.*)

To thee, O God, whose guiding hand
Our fathers led across the sea,
And brought them to the barren shore,
Where they might freely worship Thee;

To Thee, O God! whose arm sustained
Their footsteps in the desert land,
Where sickness lurked and death assailed,
And foes beset on every hand,—

To Thee, O God; we lift our eyes,
To Thee our grateful voices raise,
And kneeling at Thy gracious throne,
Devoutly join in hymns of praise.

Our fathers' God; incline Thine ear,
And listen to our heartfelt prayer;
Surround us with Thy heavenly grace,
And guard us with Thy constant care.

Our fathers' God! in Thee we'll trust,
Sheltered by Thee from every harm;
We'll follow where Thy hand shall guide,
And lean on Thy sustaining arm.

—W. T. Davis.

GLORIFICATION.

Rabbi:

Our soul doth greatly rejoice in Thee, O Lord, God of our salvation. With Thee is the fountain of life. Every good and precious gift cometh from Thee. Each trial or burden, sent for our good, is a merciful angel from Thee. Thou, Lord, doest justice and executest righteousness. Thou hast no respect of persons, takest no bribe, makest no mis-

takes. With Thee equity is absolute and justice is eternal. As the heavens are high above the earth, so art Thou exalted above all human thought of Thee. There is not speech enough at our disposal wherewith to praise Thee. We lack words wherewith to express our appreciation of Thy glory. We can only humbly bow our heads before the proofs of Thy sanctity, bend our knee before the evidences of Thy love and prostrate ourselves before the manifestations of Thy greatness. Awed by Thy wondrous power, we feel how unworthy we are; but remembering that we are quickened by Thy law, created by Thy love, formed by Thy spirit, we look to Thee for help and prayerfully beseech Thee:

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Our God, who art in heaven, may the unity of Thy name be proclaimed throughout the world. May the kingdom of righteousness be speedily established on earth. May we accept whatsoever Thou sendest us, saying: This is from the Lord; let Him do what seemeth Him right. Remove our sins far from us and forgive us according to Thy loving kindness. Help us to be pure of heart and clean of hands. May we deal with our fellowmen as Thou, God, dealest with us, doing justice, loving mercy, seeking equity. May we always bear ourselves as though we felt that Thou God dost see

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(*Deut. vi., 4.*)

OLD TESTAMENT READINGS.

(*For Rabbi, Congregation and Choir respectively.*)

CHARITY.

Rabbi:

If thy brother be waxen poor,
Then thou shalt relieve him;

CONGREGATION:

Though he be a stranger, or a sojourner,
Help him, that he may live among thee.

Choir:

Blessed is he that considereth the poor;
The Lord will deliver him in time of trouble.

If there be among thee a poor man
Thou shalt not harden thine heart against him;

Thou shalt open thine hand wide unto him,
And lend him sufficient for his need.

Whoso listeneth not to the cry of the poor
Shall also cry, but shall not be heard.

Deal thy bread to the hungry,
Bring the outcast poor to thy house.

When thou seest the naked, cover him,
Hide not thyself from thine own flesh.

The righteous considereth the cause of the poor,
But the wicked pretendeth not to know it.

The poor shall never cease out of the land,
Therefore, open wide thine hand unto thy poor.

Say not, come again, I will give to-morrow
When thou hast it by thee.

Treasures of wickedness profit nothing;
But charity delivereth from death.

Blessed be he that hath a bountiful eye
For he giveth of his bread to the poor.

He that helpeth the poor shall not lack;
He that hideth his eyes shall have many a curse.

Think no evil in your heart against another;
He that covereth a fault seeketh love.

PRAYER.

Rabbi:

Day after day, O Lord, Thou loadest us with Thy benefits. More than we can think is the number of the mercies which, in Thy love, Thou showerest upon us. Thou hast made the world beautiful for our sakes; thou hast filled it with all that is necessary for our welfare; thou hast endowed us with senses that enable us to appreciate the joy of living and with a mind and soul that render us capable of apprehending the wonders of Thy ways with us.

We thank Thee for the unfailing goodness which is displayed to us at all times, and we ask Thy divine aid in our desire to share the bounty Thou lovingly grantest us with those, from whom much is withheld. May we have a heart of pity for the suffering and the unfortunate. May we be disposed to aid the needy and destitute. May we speak the gentle word, think the kind thought and do the unselfish deed to our neighbor.

May we strive to overcome our faults, being generous towards the failings of all, but our own. May we forgive others and prove unpardoning only to our own vices. May we have no fear, except the fear of doing wrong. May we forget the unkindness done to us and remember only how often we

err. May we who ask pardon of Thee learn how to shew forgiveness to others. May we cast away the burden of our sins as we would hurl from us some loathsome insect.

Be with us, O God, at all times. Protect our dear ones when we are parted from each other. May we be near each other in Thee. May Thy love prove a shield to us and bring us close, though miles of land, and even seas, keep us apart. Bless those we love. Spare them every trial, except such as shall be necessary to bring them to Thee. Guide them in Thy love; lead them by Thy hand; for those whom Thou blessest are indeed blessed; their days on earth pass in peace and joy, which none can disturb.

We pray, O God, that thou wilt grant Thy favor unto all who work for the sacred cause of humanity. Be with those who teach Thy word in the churches of this and other cities, in this and other lands. Illumine, with the light of Thy countenance, the ways of all who give their thought and time and possessions for the aid of the poor. Be with those who teach the young and may their holy efforts be crowned by the spread of intelligence and a willingness to lead lives pleasing to Thee. May all labor, that is done by any of Thy children, for the approximation of Thy kingdom on earth, be mercifully blessed of Thee.

Hasten the day, O Lord, when all men, quickened by Thy love, may see Thy glory and acknowledge Thy reign; when all men shall be to each other as brethren; when they shall form a goodly company of worshippers, sanctifying Thy name in the words of Thy faithful servant:

Holy, Holy, Holy is the Lord of hosts, the whole world is full of His glory. Amen.

(*Choral Response.*)

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FOR THE BEREAVED.

(*See page 15.*)

ANTHEM.

LECTURE.

THE ACCEPTED OFFERING.

(*To be sung by Choir and Congregation.*)

Lord, what offering shall we bring,
At Thine altar, when we bow?
Hearts, the pure, unsullied spring
Whence the kind affections flow;
Soft compassion's feeling soul,
By the melting eye expressed;
Sympathy, at whose control
Sorrow leaves the wounded breast;

Willing hands to lead the blind,
Bind the wounded, feed the poor;
Love, embracing all our kind;
Charity, with liberal store.
Teach us, O Thou heavenly King,
Thus to show our grateful mind,
Thus the accepted offering bring,—
Love to Thee and all mankind.

—John Taylor.

BENEDICTION.

SERVICE X.

PROEM.

Rabbi:

ALMIGHTY and most merciful God, we devoutly beseech Thee that Thou wilt grant unto each of us, gathered before Thee this day, an understanding mind and a heart of wisdom, by which we may perceive Thy will and resolutely strive to fulfil it. While yet in Thy presence may our minds be so illumined that we see the right, and our hearts so attuned to Thee that we serve Thee in reverence and love. May this be an acceptable hour before Thee, O God; in the abundance of Thy love answer us according to the greatness of Thy tender mercy. Amen.

LIFE'S WORK.

(*To be sung by Choir and Congregation.*)

Arise, my soul! nor dream the hours
Of life away;
Arise! and do thy being's work
While yet 'tis day.

The doer, not the dreamer, breaks
The baleful spell,
Which binds with iron hands the earth
On which we dwell.

Up, soul! or war, with fiery feet,
Will tread down men;
Up! or its bloody hands will reap
The earth again.

Oh dreamer wake! your brother man
Is still a slave;
And thousands go heart-crushed this morn
Unto the grave.

The brow of wrong is laurel-crowned,
Not girt with shame;
And love and truth and right as yet
Are but a name.

From out time's urn your golden hours
Flow fast away:—
Then dreamer up! and do life's work
While yet 'tis day.

—Anon.

GLORIFICATION.

Rabbi:

Creator and Lord of the Universe! Before man set his foot on the earth, before any object took form thereon, Thou wast its King. Ever since the uni-

verse was called into existence by Thy will, unto this present hour, Thou hast been its mighty Ruler. Even if the ends of the earth should fall into nothingness, even if all that Thou hast created should cease to be, Thy days would not end, Thou wouldst still reign in unspeakable grandeur. Thou wast, Thou art, Thou wilt be forever, throned in glory and majesty. Thou art One. There is none like unto Thee; without peer, without associate, art Thou. Thou art the Eternal; with Thee beginning and end are unknown. Thou art past our searching out; to Thy greatness and goodness, there is no limit. Thou art our God, our living Redeemer, the Rock of ages, our Refuge. Therefore we adore Thee and glorify Thee. Therefore we approach Thee with our humble petitions and reverently pray:

(*Rabbi and Congregation read this Petition together.*)

Our God, who art in heaven, may the unity of Thy name be proclaimed throughout the world. May the kingdom of righteousness be speedily established on earth. May we accept whatsoever Thou sendest us, saying: This is from the Lord; let Him do what seemeth Him right. Remove our sins far from us and forgive us according to Thy loving-kindness. Help us to be pure of heart and clean of hands. May we deal with our fellowmen as Thou, God, dealest with us, doing justice, loving

mercy, seeking equity. May we always bear ourselves as though we felt that Thou God dost see us. May we add to the good in the world and strive to overcome the evil. Grant us sustenance for soul and body and cause the work of our hands to prosper. We humbly pray Thee to be with us in all the ways we go, and may we sanctify Thy name in life and death through the words of our holy teacher, "Hear, O Israel, the Eternal is our God, the Eternal is One."

(*Choral Response.*)

שמע ישראל יהוה אלהינו יהוה אחד.

(*Deut. vi., 4.*)

OLD TESTAMENT READINGS.

(*For Rabbi, Congregation and Choir respectively.*)

MERCY.

Rabbi:

Turn thou to thy God,
Keep mercy and do justice.

CONGREGATION:

Let not mercy and truth forsake thee,
Bind them about thy neck.

Choir:

Write them upon the table of thy heart,
And thus find favor with God and man.

Mercy and truth preserve the king,
And his throne is upholden by mercy.

The righteous regardeth the life of his beast:
But the tender mercies of the wicked are cruel.

The merciful man doeth good to his own soul,
But the cruel troubleth his own flesh.

The worth of a man is his kindness;
And a poor man is better than a liar.

He that despiseth his neighbor sinneth,
But blessed is he that hath mercy.

To him that is afflicted
Pity should be shewed.

If thou pour out thy soul to the hungry,
And satisfy the afflicted soul:

Thy light shall rise in obscurity,
And thy darkness be as the noon day.

With the merciful God is merciful;
With the upright He is upright.

If thy enemy be hungry
Give him bread to eat.

If thy enemy be thirsty
Give him water to drink.

Execute true justice, and shew mercy
And compassion, every man to his brother.

PRAYER.

Rabbi:

May it be Thy will, our Father in heaven, that we become accustomed to fulfil Thy law and that we cleave unto Thy commandments. May we have that spiritual sense that shall lead us to find in Thee the source of our truest joys and surest strength. May we, with Thy help, not permit sin to find a resting place within our souls, nor an abiding place in our lives. May we accept Thy offer of pardon for the errors committed in the past and may a purer life, with nobler aspirations and higher yearnings, be Thy answer to our prayers.

Deign, O God, to fill our hearts with Thy presence. Without Thee, they are empty and void of the qualities that make us Thy worthy children. May we be moved by a consideration of Thy tender mercy toward us, to do the deeds of mercy towards the needy. As Thy sun sheds its refulgent rays on all alike, as Thy fertilizing rain falls on the soil of all alike, as Thy winds blow hither and thither over the earth and seas, visiting all alike, so may our hearts be moved in pity and compassion towards all who may need our help, without distinctions of race or creed or country.

In all the changes that may occur throughout our lives, may we be ever possessed by a sense of

Thy unchanging love. In all our doubts and uncertainties, may we turn to Thee, the Eternal, and seek Thy will. May we strive to find out what Thou desirest of us, and discovering it, do it, that we may live in conformity with Thy law. May humility be our sanctuary. May mercy be our shrine. May truth be our altar. May a pure and holy life be the temple in which and through which we serve Thee and our fellow men.

We pray for Thy help in all our undertakings. Bless us with the consciousness that everything done for Thy glory must succeed, even though men frown upon it and make of Thy servants a byword and a scorn. Bless our friendships and our loves. Turn the hearts of parents unto their children and the hearts of children unto their parents. May conjugal fidelity, filial piety and parental devotion be ideals after which we aspire. May husbands and wives be faithful to the vows made before Thine altar. May parents seek the true welfare of their children, by dedicating them early to Thy service. May children grow in godly reverence, in fear of sin and in love of truth.

Lord God, hasten the day when the knowledge of Thee shall fill the earth as the waters cover the bed of the sea; when all men shall worship Thee, the God of Righteousness, when over all there shall

be established the reign of affectionate justice, when all men shall praisè Thy holiness and sanctify Thy name in the words uttered by Judah's great prophet in the days of old:

Holy, Holy, Holy is the Lord of hosts, the whole world is full of His glory. Amen.

(Choral Response.)

קדוש קדוש קדוש יהוה צבאות מלא כל הארץ כבודו.

(Isaiah vi., 3.)

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FOR THE BEREAVED.

(See page 15.)

ANTHEM.

LECTURE.

SHARE WITH OTHERS.

(*To be sung by Choir and Congregation.*)

When thy heart, with joy o'erflowing,
Sings a thankful prayer,
In thy joy, oh, let thy brother
With thee share.

When the harvest-sheaves ingathered
Fill thy barns with store,
To thy God and to thy brother
Give the more.

Hast thou borne a secret sorrow
In thy lonely breast?
Take to thee thy sorrowing brother
For a guest.

Share with him thy bread of blessing,
Sorrow's burden share;
When thy heart enfolds a brother,
God is there.

—T. C. Williams.

BENEDICTION.

SERVICE XI.

PROEM.

Rabbi:

WHEREWITH shall we come before Thee and bow ourselves before Thee, O Most High? Surely Thou hast shewed us what is good and what Thou requirest of us: nothing but to do justly, to love mercy and to walk humbly with Thee. May this service impress this truth deeply upon our souls. Man may look to the outward, but Thou God lookest to the heart. May our worship of Thee strengthen our hearts that we permit no image to dwell therein, but that they become temples worthy of Thee. Be with us, O God, in this hour of prayer. Be Thou our refuge and let Thy everlasting arms rest about us, now and forever. Amen.

AS PASS THE DAYS.

(*To be sung by Choir and Congregation.*)

There are lonely hearts to cherish
While the days are going by;
There are weary souls who perish
While the days are going by:
If a smile we can renew
As our journey we pursue,
Oh the good we all may do
While the days are going by!

There's no time for idle scorning
While the days are going by;
Be our faces like the morning
While the days are going by:
Oh the world is full of sighs,
Full of sad and weeping eyes;
Help the fallen one to rise
While the days are going by.

All the loving links that bind us
While the days are going by,
One by one we leave behind us
While the days are going by:
But the seeds of good we sow,
Both in sun and shade will grow,
And will keep our hearts aglow
While the days are going by.

—Anon.

GLORIFICATION.

Rabbi:

Thou Lord art a merciful and gracious God, slow to anger and full of mercy and truth. To forgive is Thy glory, to pardon transgression and sin is, to Thee, an act of grace. Thy goodness is as abundant as Thy wisdom is perfect and Thy children find a safe refuge in the shadow of Thy wings. Thou stretchest forth the hand of forgiveness to

all who return to Thee with all their heart. Thou delightest not in the spiritual death of even the wicked, but thou desirest him to return to Thee and live.

How can we praise Thee for the hope that this promise brings to us. Thou art the King of Kings and Lord of Lords, abiding in eternity. The heavens are Thy throne and the earth thy footstool, yet Thou deignest to regard all Thy creatures and even to pardon their sins, when, with contrite hearts, they seek Thy presence. We adore Thee, Lord of all; we worship Thy goodness. We desire to fulfill Thy will and therefore we humbly pray:

(*Rabbi and Congregation read this Petition together.*)

Our God, who art in heaven, may the unity of Thy name be proclaimed throughout the world. May the kingdom of righteousness be speedily established on earth. May we accept whatsoever Thou sendest us, saying: This is from the Lord; let Him do what seemeth Him right. Remove our sins far from us and forgive us according to Thy loving-kindness. Help us to be pure of heart and clean of hands. May we deal with our fellowmen as Thou, God, dealest with us, doing justice, loving mercy, seeking equity. May we always bear ourselves as though we felt that Thou God dost see us. May we add to the good in the world and

strive to overcome the evil. Grant us sustenance for soul and body and cause the work of our hands to prosper. We humbly pray Thee to be with us in all the ways we go, and may we sanctify Thy name in life and death through the words of our holy teacher, "Hear, O Israel, the Eternal is our God, the Eternal is One."

(Choral Response.)

שמע ישראל יהוה אלהינו יהוה אחד.

(Deut. vi., 4.)

OLD TESTAMENT READINGS.

(For Rabbi, Congregation and Choir respectively.)

PURITY AND CHASTITY.

Rabbi:

Who shall ascend into the hill of the Lord?
Who shall stand in his holy place?

CONGREGATION:

He that hath clean hands and a pure heart
Who lifteth not his soul to vanity.

Choir:

He, that sweareth not falsely,
Shall be blessed by the God of his salvation.

Ye shall be holy,
For I, the Lord your God am holy.

My son, if sinners entice thee,
Consent thou not.

My son, walk not in their way;
Refrain thy foot from their path.

Keep thy heart with all diligence
For out of it are the issues of life.

Whoso keepeth the law is a wise son;
The friend of riotous men shameth his father.

He that loveth purity of heart,
The king shall be his friend.

Blessed is the man that revereth the Lord
That greatly delighteth in His commands.

Happy is the man that walketh not
In the counsels of the ungodly,

Nor standeth in the way of sinners
Nor sitteth in the seat of the scorners.

Only revere God; serve Him in truth
With all your heart.

Swear not by God's name falsely
Neither profane the name of thy God.

Reverence of God prolongeth man's days;
But the years of the wicked shall be shortened.

PRAYER.

Rabbi:

Our God and the God of our fathers, we approach Thy altar this day with hearts moved to worship Thee for the outpouring of Thy many favors. Thou hast brought us out of darkness into light, out of slavery into freedom, from oppression to liberty, from credulity to pure faith. Thy protecting hand has ever been over us and daily the light of Thy truth is growing stronger, though still feeble and struggling to pierce the clouds of error.

Give us eyes to see the truth more and more, and a disposition to follow it, wherever it takes us. May we learn to see that worship of Thee must not be limited to the offering of prayer and praise, confession of wrong-doing and supplication. May we understand that pious as may be such devotions, they are as nothing before Thee, unless we translate the words of our mouths and the meditations of our hearts into deeds of active piety. May we have the spiritual mind to understand, that we serve Thee most faithfully when we strive to fulfill Thy will; that we do homage to Thee most sincerely, when we endeavor to keep Thy commandments; that we adore Thee most truly, when our service of Thee leads us to serve our fellow-men.

May we remember that nothing can escape the influence of Thy laws, that our thoughts lie bare before Thee and our inmost secrets are open to Thee. Help us, O God, to be pure in Thy sight. May our lives be clean, our actions chaste, our souls unsullied by gross sensualism. Give us Thy divine help in our endeavor to be holy, as Thou art holy, seeking ever to serve Thee in the beauty of holiness. May we be eager to stand on Thy holy hill where the pure of heart and the clean of hands are established for ever.

Lord God, aid us to accept Thy dispensations in an uncomplaining spirit. May we feel that whatsoever Thou doest is well done. May we have such supreme trust in Thy mercy that, even when all is bare and desolate, dark and dreary about us, we may feel that Thou wilt bring us out of the depths into the brightness of spiritual glory. May we never doubt the goodness of Thy purpose. If trials come, may they be instruments of good. If sickness is laid upon us, may it become the means of teaching us to depend more on Thee. If death enters our homes and loved ones are borne away from us, may we be able to look beyond the valley of the shadow to the bright heights above. Though all we possess be lost, may we not lose faith in Thy good will toward us.

As the years pass away, O God, may men feel, more and more, that Thou art the Father of all of us and that we are all brethren. May the belief in Thy divine Fatherhood strengthen our faith that some day, over all the earth, there shall be established human brotherhood, that then all men shall worship Thee in reverence, proclaim Thy unity and announce Thy sanctity in the time honored words of the prophet:

Holy, Holy, Holy is the Lord of hosts, the whole world is full of His glory. Amen.

(*Choral Response.*)

קדוש קדוש קדוש יהוה צבאות מלא כל הארץ כבודו.

(*Isaiah vi., 3.*)

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FOR THE BEREAVED.

(*See page 15.*)

ANTHEM.

LECTURE.

VIRTUE SOUGHT FROM GOD.

(*To be sung by Choir and Congregation.*)

Assist us, Lord, to act, to be
What nature and Thy laws decree,
Worthy that intellectual flame
Which from Thy breathing spirit came.

Our moral freedom to maintain,
Bid passion serve and reason reign,
Self-poised, and independent still
Of this world's varying good or ill.

May our expanded souls disclaim
The narrow view, the selfish aim;
But with a world-wide love embrace
Whate'er is friendly to our race.

O Father! grace and virtue grant;
No more we wish, no more we want:
To know, to serve Thee, and to love,
Is peace below,—is bliss above.

—Henry Moore.

BENEDICTION.

SERVICE XII.

PROEM.

Rabbi:

IN THE courts of Thy house, O Lord, in the midst of our Bethel, have we come to invoke the outpouring of Thy presence upon us. Upon Thy name do we call, offering to Thee the sacrifices of thanksgivings and bringing before Thee the burden of our needs. Blessed are they that come to Thy house trusting in Thee, having faith in Thy loving-kindness. Grant us, O God, the joy of feeling that our prayer and praise are accepted by Thee. Help us to rise from strength to strength in our service of Thee and our fellowmen. Be Thou our sun and our shield; grant us grace and glory. May it be Thy will that our lips speak Thy praise and our lives be tokens of Thy love. Amen.

THE WISH OF FAITH.

(*To be sung by Choir and Congregation.*)

God of the changing year, whose arm of power
In safety leads through danger's darkest hour,—
Here in Thy presence bow Thy children down,
To bless Thy mercy, and Thy might to own.

Thine are the beams that cheer us on our way,
And pour around the gladdening light of day;
Thine is the night, and the fair orbs that shine
To cheer its hours of darkness,—all are Thine.

If round our path the thorns of sorrow grew,
And mortal friends were faithless, Thou wast true;
Did sickness shake the frame, or anguish tear
The wounded spirit, Thou wast present there.

Oh, lend Thine ear, and lift our voice to Thee:
Where'er we dwell, still let Thy mercy be;
From year to year, still nearer to Thy shrine
Draw our frail hearts, and make them wholly Thine!

—Miss E. Taylor.

GLORIFICATION.

Rabbi:

Thy mercies, O Lord, are forever; Thy faithfulness is through all generations. The heavens praise Thy wonders, and the earth declares Thy marvelous power. Who in the heavens can be compared unto Thee? Who among the mightiest can be likened unto Thee? The heavens are Thine and the earth is Thine. The world and the fulness thereof, are the works of Thy hands. Justice and righteousness are the habitation of Thy throne; mercy and

truth go before Thee. Thou art gracious and full of compassion; slow to anger and of great mercy. Thou art good to all that Thy will has created. Thy tender mercies are over all Thy works. All the living wait upon Thee; Thou disappointest none of Thy creatures. Thou openest Thy hand and satisfiest the desire of every living thing. Thou art righteous in all Thy ways and holy in all Thy works. Thou art nigh unto all them that call upon Thee to all that call on Thee in truth. Hearken unto our request and answer the petition we offer before Thee, as we fervently pray:

(*Rabbi and Congregation read this Petition together.*)

Our God, who art in heaven, may the unity of Thy name be proclaimed throughout the world. May the kingdom of righteousness be speedily established on earth. May we accept whatsoever Thou sendest us, saying: This is from the Lord; let Him do what seemeth Him right. Remove our sins far from us and forgive us according to Thy loving-kindness. Help us to be pure of heart and clean of hands. May we deal with our fellowmen as Thou, God, dealest with us, doing justice, loving mercy, seeking equity. May we always bear ourselves as though we felt that Thou God dost see us. May we add to the good in the world and strive to overcome the evil. Grant us sustenance for

soul and body and cause the work of our hands to prosper. We humbly pray Thee to be with us in all the ways we go, and may we sanctify Thy name in life and death through the words of our holy teacher, "Hear, O Israel, the Eternal is our God, the Eternal is One."

(Choral Response.)

שמע ישראל יהוה אלהינו יהוה אחד.

(Deut. vi., 4.)

OLD TESTAMENT READINGS.

(For Rabbi, Congregation and Choir respectively.)

HONESTY.

Rabbi:

Ye shall not steal, neither deal falsely,
Neither lie to one another.

CONGREGATION:

Thou shalt not defraud thy neighbor
Neither shalt thou rob him.

Choir:

Ye shall do no unrighteousness,
In balance, in weight, or in measure.

Thou shalt not have in thine house
Divers measures, a great and a small;

Thou shalt have a perfect and a just weight,
A perfect and a just measure shalt thou have.

A false balance is abomination to the Lord;
But a just weight is His delight.

Two things have I begged of Thee,
Deny me them not before I die:

Remove far from me vanity and lies,
Give me neither poverty nor riches,

Lest I be full and deny Thee,
Lest I be poor and steal.

This is the curse over man;
Everyone that stealeth shall be cut off.

Woe unto them that decree unrighteousness,
That prey on widows and rob the orphan.

The wicked borroweth and payeth not;
But the righteous sheweth mercy and giveth.

Whoso is partner of a thief
Hateth his own soul.

False weights and false measures are alike,
Abominations to the Lord.

Search me O God and know my heart;
Try me, and know my thoughts.

PRAYER.

Rabbi:

With all the joyous sounds and inspiring melodies of nature, we join our hymn of praise and thanks for Thy bounty, our God and the God of all. Unto Thy eternal abode, beyond the realm of the physical universe, our prayers wing their flight, with the sweetsmelling incense which nature wafts to the door of Thy sanctuary. Before Thee we bend the knee and prostrate ourselves and acknowledge Thee the only God, beside whom there is, and we need, no Savior.

Many and beyond count have been the fragrant flowers of joy that Thou hast permitted to blossom along our path. Many and innumerable have been the limpid rills of happiness that Thou hast sent splashing along our course. Many and beyond telling have been the luscious fruits of peace that Thou hast suffered to grow on our way. Many and beyond number have been the tranquil hours of golden sunshine that Thou hast sent us. Thorns have torn us, nettles have stung us, rocks have bruised us, clouds have hovered over us. But through the days of joy and sorrow, which make the woof and the warp of existence so intricate, yet so enthralling, Thy loving hand has ever been outstretched to us, to draw us unto Thee. Thy divine

commands and consolations have ever been held out to us, to guide us to the paths of pleasantness and to the ways of peace.

As Thou hast been with us in the past, so, O gracious God, continue to be in the future. Do not leave us, neither forsake us. Support us in the hour of weakness; strengthen us in the day of evil temptation. May all paths lead us to Thee. Silence every rebellious thought by showing us how unworthy we are of the many myriads of blessings which Thou hast showered upon us, from the day of our birth until this day. Stifle every evil thought, every unholy feeling and subdue our wills to be subject to Thine. Even though our eyes be dimmed through weeping, even though our hearts yearn for a sympathy and love, denied us on earth, even though injustice and wrong-doing seem to triumph temporarily, may we never doubt Thy wise providence, but may we learn to trust Thee, whose ways are not our ways, whose thoughts are not our thoughts, but whose ways and thoughts are as high above ours as the heavens are high above the earth.

Lord help us to consecrate ourselves anew this day to the duty and mission of Israel. May we solemnly resolve to endeavor to fulfil our sacred obligations to the human family. By our lives, may we announce to the world Thy unity and holiness.

By our deeds may we show forth the beauty of serving the Lord. By our words may we witness for Thee. By our devotion to Thy law, may we help to speed the day, when all over the world Thy name will be reverenced and a united mankind shall sing to the honor of Thy holy name this threefold sanctification:

Holy, Holy, Holy is the Lord of hosts, the whole world is full of His glory. Amen.

(Choral Response.)

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(Isaiah vi., 3)

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FOR THE BEREAVED.

(See page 15.)

ANTHEM.

LECTURE.

DO THY DUTY!

(*To be sung by Choir and Congregation.*)

'Tis not by dreaming and delay,
But doing something every day,
That wins the laurel and the bay,
And crowns the work of duty.

Be satisfied that thou art right,
And that thy deed will bear the light,
Then execute it with thy might,
For that will be thy duty.

The planets as they roll on high,
The river as it rusheth by,
For ever and for ever cry,
"On, man, and do thy duty!"

All, all is working everywhere,
In earth, in heaven, in sea, and air,
And nothing indolent is there
To mar the perfect duty.

—E. Capen.

BENEDICTION.

SERVICE XIII.

PROEM.

Rabbi:

WITH reverent hearts and humble minds are we gathered here, O God, to worship Thee and to draw from our contemplation of Thy love and goodness, strength and support in all our undertakings. We cast our burdens upon Thee, assured that Thou wilt help us to bear them. We commune with Thee, not believing that Thou wilt change Thy unalterable laws to meet our needs, but rather that we may gain from Thee, light and power, to order our lives aright. Open our eyes to see Thy law, cause our hearts to cleave unto Thy commandments, strengthen us to love and revere Thee all the days of our life. Amen.

ONWARD!

(*To be sung by Choir and Congregation.*)

Onward, faithful servants
Of God's holy cause;
Truth and Light your weapons,
Forward, without pause.
In the ranks of rightness
Be ye ever found,
Bringing all things evil
Downward to the ground.—Onward, etc.

Sin and misdeed triumph,
Error leads astray;
Falsehood oft is honored,
Truth is kept at bay;
Yet, lose not your courage,
Men and women true,
God's cause yet will conquer,
If your part you do.—Onward, etc.

Earth's downtrodden children
Look for helping hands;
Up, then, aid your brethren
Scattered through all lands;
Let your plea be Justice,
Love be your delight,
Righteousness your watchward,
Equity your might.—Onward, etc.

Ye, who are of Israel,
Zion's chosen sons;
Bearing words of comfort
To earth mourning ones;
Rise and speed your message
To the human race,
So that earth may soon be
Joy's abiding place.—Onward, etc.

—J. Leonard Levy.

GLORIFICATION.

Rabbi:

Lord God of the spirit of all flesh, Thy works praise Thee, the children of men take refuge in the

shadow of Thy love. By the glories of heaven and earth, by the majesty of Thy creative will, by Thy providential care and watchfulness over us, by the unfathomed mysteries of life and death, by the bounty with which Thou hast ever supported us, we are moved to praise and honor Thy holy name. By the conquests made by spirit over might and force, by the revelation of Thyself in human history, by the many evidences of Thy tender thought of Thy children, by the victory of right over wrong, by the vanquishing power of truth, by the unfolding of Thy law, we are impelled to glorify and honor Thee. Who, knowing Thy love, can refrain from loving Thee? Who, observing Thy ways with men, can refuse to bow before Thee? Therefore, O God, we prostrate ourselves and in lowly reverence pray:

(*Rabbi and Congregation read this Petition together.*)

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(*Deut. vi., 4.*)

OLD TESTAMENT READINGS.

(*For Rabbi, Congregation and Choir respectively.*)

TRUTH.

Rabbi:

God desireth truth in the inward parts;
Keep, therefore, far from any false thing.

CONGREGATION:

Keep thy tongue from evil,
Thy lips from speaking guile.

Choir:

Whoso secretly slanders his neighbor,
God will cut him off.

Thou shalt not raise a false report;
Join not the wicked to be a false witness.

Depart from evil and do good;
Seek peace, and pursue it,

Love peace and truth;
Speak truth to all thy neighbors.

Buy the truth and sell it not,
Deceive not with thy lips.

Let not mercy and truth forsake thee;
Bind them about thy neck.

A false witness that speaketh lies,
Soweth discord among brethren.

It is righteousness to speak the truth;
A false witness practiseth deceit.

The truthful lip is established forever,
But a lying tongue is but for a moment.

Lying lips are abominable to God,
They that speak truly are His delight.

He that uttereth a slander
Is a fool.

A lying man soweth strife;
A whisperer separateth strong friends,

The words of a talebearer are wounds,
They strike at the sources of life.

PRAYER.

Rabbi:

Our Father, by whose will the night turneth to day, by whose command the light shineth forth, help us to become children of the light and of the day. May the sun of righteousness rise for us and spread its glowing warmth in our hearts. May reason exert its godlike influence over all our deeds and words and thoughts. May our conscience be kept clean, as beseemeth Thy representative within us. May we love the truth, seeking it with all our heart, with all our soul and with all our mind. May its form be stamped upon us. May we serve Thy sacred cause, fearing neither the hatred of men for our persistence in following Thee, nor being induced to desert the ranks of Thy true and faithful followers, by the blandishments and flatteries of the world.

We thank Thee, O God, that the light of truth is growing brighter and brighter, that the shadows of untruth and superstition are growing dimmer and fainter, that men are striving for a better comprehension of Thy ways with us, so that the truth may shine upon mankind with undimmed brilliance. We thank Thee for the hope of the day when at eventide it shall be light, when the clouds of error shall be dispersed and the gloom of ignorance shall

be dissipated and the brightness of a rational faith shall glow so that by its light all men shall see light.

We pray Thee, our Father, to let this light so shine that all men may be blessed by it. Into the dark places of the earth, into the minds of men dimmed by a misapprehension of Thy laws, into the very midst of those who praise Thee with their lips, but whose hearts are far from Thee, may the light penetrate bringing the peace and joy of the truth. Let Thy countenance shine upon us and be gracious unto us. May all universities and colleges, all schools and libraries, all books and journals, that seek to spread the light, be blessed of Thee. May their influence be holy and uplifting, and may they, in company with all who love Thee truly, help to speed the day, when all men shall be dowered with eyes to see the truth and a heart to love it, when all men, impressed by Thy sanctity, shall unite in chanting to Thee:

Holy, Holy, Holy, is the Lord of hosts, the whole world is full of His glory. Amen.

(*Choral Response.*)

קדוש קדוש קדוש יהוה צבאות מלא כל הארץ כבודו.

(*Isaiah vi., 3.*)

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FOR THE BEREAVED.

(*See page 15.*)

ANTHEM.

LECTURE.

BE TRUE TO TRUTH.

(*To be sung by Choir and Congregation.*)

He who has the truth and keeps it,
  Keeps what not to him belongs,
But performs a selfish action
  That his fellow-mortal wrongs.

He who seeks the truth, and trembles
  At the dangers he must brave,
Is not fit to be a freeman,
  He at best is but a slave.

He who hears the truth, and places
  Its high promptings under ban,
Loud may boast of all that's manly,
  But can never be a man.

Be thou like the noble prophets—
  Scorn the threat that bids thee fear;
Speak! no matter what betide thee;
  Let them strike, but make them hear.

—J. G. Whittier.

BENEDICTION.

SERVICE XIV.

PROEM.

Rabbi:

MAY Thy presence, O God, be with us and fill us with a spirit of true devotion. May we worship Thee in joy and truth, and may we draw from our service strength to live in the world as truly and as uprightly, as honorably and as faithfully as Thou commandest us. May we have the righteous power to lay open our souls before Thee and may we earnestly desire to keep them pure and holy in Thy sight. Give us hearts ever ready to love Thee, and minds ever prepared to serve Thee. Make Thy way clear before us and help us to cleave to it forever. Amen.

BE PURE.

(*To be sung by Choir and Congregation.*)

Now with the rising golden dawn,
Let us, the children of the day,
Cast off the darkness which so long
Has led our guilty souls astray.

Oh, may the morn so pure, so clear,
Its own sweet calm in us instil;
A guileless mind, a heart sincere,
Simplicity of word and will:

And ever, as the day glides by,
May we the busy senses rein;
Keep guard upon the hand and eye,
Nor let the body suffer stain.

For all day long, on heaven's high tower,
There stands a sentinel, who spies
Our every action, hour by hour,
From early dawn till daylight dies.

—Anon.

GLORIFICATION.

Rabbi:

O Thou, King of kings and Lord of lords, there is no God like Thee, who keepest covenant and mercy with Thy servants that walk before Thee with all their heart. Behold, the heaven and heaven of heavens cannot contain Thee, for Thou fillest all space with Thy presence and all time with Thy goodness. Thou art in the lands where everlasting spring kisses into perennial life the majestic palm, where constant sunshine woos the winged choristers whose plumes rival in beauty the glittering hues

of jewels. Thou art also in the lands, where, amid perpetual ice and immaculate snow, progressive man cannot build temples of learning and worship. Thou art in the desert with its trackless, burning sands, in the impenetrable forests with their strange denizens, in the devastating storm and glorious sunshine, in the myriads of worlds that wander through space, obedient to Thy will. Everywhere art Thou, O God, and therefore, in Thy chosen resting-place, the contrite heart of man. Therefore with humble hearts we seek Thee, with adoring souls we glorify Thee and with reverent lips we pray:

(*Rabbi and Congregation read this Petition together.*)

Our God, who art in heaven, may the unity of Thy name be proclaimed throughout the world. May the kingdom of righteousness be speedily established on earth. May we accept whatsoever Thou sendest us, saying: This is from the Lord: let Him do what seemeth Him right. Remove our sins far from us and forgive us according to Thy loving-kindness. Help us to be pure of heart and clean of hands. May we deal with our fellowmen as Thou, God, dealest with us, doing justice, loving mercy, seeking equity. May we always bear ourselves as though we felt that Thou God dost see us. May we add to the good in the world and strive to overcome the evil. Grant us sustenance

for soul and body and cause the work of our hands to prosper. We humbly pray Thee to be with us in all the ways we go, and may we sanctify Thy name in life and death through the words of our holy teacher, "Hear, O Israel, the Eternal is our God, the Eternal is One."

(*Choral Response.*)

שמע ישראל יהוה אלהינו יהוה אחד.

(*Deut. vi., 4.*)

OLD TESTAMENT READINGS.

(*For Rabbi, Congregation and Choir respectively.*)

SELF-CONTROL.

Rabbi:

A man's discretion deferreth his anger;
It is a glory to pass over a transgression.

CONGREGATION:

Strive not with a man without cause,
If he have done thee no harm.

Choir:

A soft answer turneth away wrath;
But grievous words stir up anger.

Be not hasty in thy spirit to be angry;
For anger resteth in the bosom of fools.

Cease from anger and forsake wrath;
Fret not thyself in any wise to do evil;

As coals are to burning coals,
So is a contentious man to kindle strife.

Be not among wine bibbers,
Among riotous eaters of flesh.

Can a man take fire in his bosom,
And his clothes not be burned?

Can one go upon hot coals,
And his feet not be burned?

My son, walk not in the way of sinners,
Refrain thy foot from their path;

For their feet run to do evil,
And make haste to shed blood.

The drunkard and glutton shall wax poor,
Drowsiness shall clothe a man with rags.

He that hath no rule over his own spirit
Is like a city broken down and without walls.

Whoso ruleth his spirit is better
Than one that taketh a city.

Set a watch, O Lord, before my mouth;
Keep the door of my lips.

PRAYER.

Rabbi:

Merciful and loving Father of all men we pray Thee to grant us, of Thy abundant goodness, hearts that desire purity and minds to follow Thee. Thou art holiness and Thou art of too pure eyes to behold iniquity. May we remember that Thou seest all the sons of men and takest heed of their deeds. May we, therefore, strive so to live that we may deserve Thy favor; may our deeds and thoughts and words be of such a character that they merit Thy approval.

Lord God, lead us not into the power of sin and error. If we meet with vice and iniquity, may we have strength to subdue them, with Thy gracious help. Remove from us all uncleanness of thought and speech. May we not be controlled by malice or envy. May covetousness and pride, falsehood and deceit, have no power over us. May we remember that our bodies are temples of a pure spirit and may we be endowed with the power to control ourselves in the day of temptation. Create in us a clean heart and renew a right spirit within us. Destroy, by Thy love, every evil thought and sinful feeling, which we should feel ashamed to acknowledge before Thee.

May our lives with our fellow-men be characterized by fidelity to high principle. May we never profane Thy holy name by acts of dishonor. May we remember the duty of every child of Israel so to live, that not only should each of us, individually, maintain the high standard of purity that Thou askest of all men, but also strive to keep the name of Israel above reproach.

We thank Thee, O God, for Thy help in times past, and we pray Thee to continue to be with us in the days to come. May our understanding be enlightened, our hands ready, our feet swift, our hearts prepared, to do Thy holy will, in every circumstance of life. Be Thou our shield and defense; beside Thee we desire and need none in the day of weakness or danger. Bring our wills into submission to Thy law. Bring all men into harmony with Thee and each other.

Give us, our Father, eyes to see that if we hate each other or evilly despite each other, that we cannot love Thee, for Thou desirest not the word of the lip unless it be in accord with the prompting of the heart and the deed of the hand. Bind all men together in the bonds of brotherhood. May we recognize our common humanity which becomes sanctified through Thy divine Fatherhood. Make war to cease and peace to be established the whole

world over and may an uplifted mankind acknowledge Thee and Thy sanctity proclaiming:

Holy, Holy, Holy, is the Lord of hosts, the whole world is full of His glory. Amen.

(*Choral Response.*)

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FOR THE BEREAVED.

(*See page 15.*)

ANTHEM.

LECTURE.

AN INDEPENDENT LIFE.

(*To be sung by Choir and Congregation.*)

How happy is he, born or taught,
Who serveth not another's will;
Whose armor is his honest thought,
And simple truth his highest skill;

Whose passions not his master are;
Whose soul is still prepared for death,
Not tied unto the world with care
Of prince's ear or vulgar breath;

Who God doth late and early pray
More of his grace than goods to lend;
And walks with man, from day to day,
As with a brother and a friend,—

This man is freed from servile bands
Of hope to rise or fear to fall;
Lord of himself, though not of lands,
And, having nothing, yet hath all.

—Sir Henry Wotton.

BENEDICTION.

SERVICE XV.

PROEM.

Rabbi:

UNTO Thee, O Lord, we lift our souls in prayer, be Thou attentive to the voice of our supplication. We approach Thee with our thank-offerings for Thy mercies, which have surrounded us as a protecting garment. May Thy spirit enter our souls as we enter upon our devotions before Thee. Grant us knowledge of what Thou wouldst have us do, and bestow upon us the wisdom to follow in Thy way. May Thy light shine into our hearts, so that the darkness of doubt and the gloom of error may be dispelled. Consider us and hear us, Lord God of our salvation; hold up our goings in Thy paths, that our footsteps never slip. Amen.

A WISE HEART.

(*To be sung by Choir and Congregation.*)

Almighty God, in humble prayer
To Thee our souls we lift;
Do Thou our waiting minds prepare
For Thy most needful gift.
We ask not golden streams of wealth
Along our paths to flow;
We ask not undecaying health,
Nor length of years below.

We ask not honors, which an hour
May bring and take away;
We ask not pleasure, pomp and power,
Lest we should go astray.
We ask for wisdom:—Lord, impart
The knowledge how to live:
A wise and understanding heart
To all before Thee give.

—J. Montgomery.

GLORIFICATION.

Rabbi:

With all whom Thy spirit has created, with all that Thy hand has fashioned, we join in glorifying Thee, O Lord our God, King of the Universe. The changing year is full of Thee; the varying seasons manifest Thy wondrous counsels. Spring with its tender leaves of promise, summer with its perfumed flowers and refreshing fruits, autumn with its golden harvests, winter with its ice and snow, all are proofs of Thy providential love. Even now, when the earth lies hushed to sleep by the influence of the frost and rests peacefully under the mantle of gleaming snow, Thou, in Thy infinite goodness, art protecting it and preparing it to bear bountiful harvests for the good of Thy children. The congealed drop of water evidences Thy beneficence, for, in the days of the

summer warmth, it shall prove soothing to those who lie on the bed of suffering and bring comfort to those oppressed by the parching heat.

Great art Thou, O God; great is Thy power; Thy understanding is infinite. Thou speakest and it comes to pass; Thou commandest and Thy word is unchanging law. Who shall not revere Thee, our only King, for on earth and in heaven there is none like Thee? We put our trust in Thee, assured that Thou wilt grant us the light of Thy countenance and the joy of Thy presence. Hear our prayer and answer us, O God, as we reverently beseech Thee:

(*Rabbi and Congregation read this Petition together.*)

Our God, who art in heaven, may the unity of Thy name be proclaimed throughout the world. May the kingdom of righteousness be speedily established on earth. May we accept whatsoever Thou sendest us, saying: This is from the Lord: let Him do what seemeth Him right. Remove our sins far from us and forgive us according to Thy loving-kindness. Help us to be pure of heart and clean of hands. May we deal with our fellowmen as Thou, God, dealest with us, doing justice, loving mercy, seeking equity. May we always bear ourselves as though we felt that Thou God dost see us. May we add to the good in the world and strive to overcome the evil. Grant us sustenance

for soul and body and cause the work of our hands to prosper. We humbly pray Thee to be with us in all the ways we go, and may we sanctify Thy name in life and death through the words of our holy teacher, "Hear, O Israel, the Eternal is our God, the Eternal is One."

(Choral Response.)

שמע ישראל יהוה אלהינו יהוה אחד.

(Deut. vi., 4.)

OLD TESTAMENT READINGS.

(For Rabbi, Congregation and Choir respectively.)

WISDOM.

Rabbi:

Happy is the man that findeth wisdom,
And the man that getteth understanding.

CONGREGATION:

Reverence of God, that is wisdom;
To depart from evil, that is understanding.

Choir:

So teach us to number our days
That we may apply our hearts unto wisdom.

Hear counsel and receive instructions,
That thou mayest be wise in thy latter end.

Through wisdom is a house built
And by understanding it is established.

Wisdom is better than rubies,
To get wisdom is better than gold.

Woe unto them,
That are wise in their own eyes.

Let not the wise man glory in his wisdom;
Nor the mighty man glory in his might;

Let him that glorieth, glory in this
That he knoweth and understandeth God.

My son eat thou honey,
Which is sweet to thy taste;

So shall be the knowledge of wisdom
Unto thy soul, when thou hast it.

Wisdom excelleth ignorance
As the light excelleth darkness.

Trust in God with all thine heart
Lean not on thine own understanding.

Be not wise in thine own eyes
Revere God and depart from evil.

Whoso keepeth the law is a wise son;
Therefore, keep sound wisdom and discretion.

PRAYER.

Rabbi:

O Thou, who art the all-wise Ruler of the Universe, grant us wisdom and understanding that we may go and come in before all men, as living witnesses of Thy sanctity. Having wisdom, what can we lack? Lacking wisdom what are we? Without the wisdom that recognizes Thee as the overruling Providence, without the understanding that sees Thy gracious power in all things, the boasted preeminence of man over the brute is as nothing.

Lord God, shed upon us Thy light that our search after truth may be rewarded by a better knowledge of Thy law, and may the greater knowledge lead to greater goodness. May we be wise enough to follow Thee in the spirit of mercy and love, of justice and humanity. May we realize that the power of the spirit far transcends that of the body. May we learn that the mighty and the powerful are not those to whom belong the brutal armies of force, but those who gain bloodless victories in the realms where wisdom prevails and on the fields of love and duty.

May we have the knowledge to understand that our destiny is swayed by our own deeds, that though Thou wilt pardon error and misdeed when we are truly repentant, the influence of our acts and the

consequence of our deeds cannot be pardoned, for they cling to us as a shadow. May we fully realize that he who sows wind shall reap a whirlwind, while he that sows the seeds of goodness shall gather sheaves of righteousness and glorious harvests of blessing. In Thy abundant mercy, be pleased to take under Thy care the houses of worship of this city. May all who attend them receive words of wise instruction and of holy truth. May all sacred causes be prospered by Thy benediction. May all men and women who learn of Thee wisely follow Thee, by loving that which is dear to Thee and by practising the same. Bless the explanation of Thy word that may be given to Thy children this day, and may it, wherever preached, become a fruitful source of peace and brotherly-love.

Guide Thou, our Father, those who are in authority in this land dedicated to liberty. May our country ever be the land of the free and the home of the brave. May all men struggling for Right and Liberty, take courage from the example of this great nation. May the people ever treasure the memory of their good and noble leaders, who consecrated themselves for the nation's welfare, and who died to serve their country and its citizens.

Bless us all, O our Father, with the light of Thy countenance. Give us eyes to see the bond of

brotherhood that should unite all men in worshipping Thee and in serving each other. Help us to love our neighbors and to cherish good impulses toward each other. Draw us all nearer, our God, to Thee. Lead us to the Zion of righteousness so that men may swell the chorus by which angels sanctified Thee of old as they sang:

Holy, Holy, Holy, is the Lord of hosts, the whole world is full of His glory. Amen.

(Choral Response.)

קדוש קדוש קדוש יהוה צבאות מלא כל הארץ כבודו.

(Isaiah vi., 3.)

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FOR THE BEREAVED.

(See page 15.)

ANTHEM.

LECTURE.

LEAD, KINDLY LIGHT.

(To be sung by Choir and Congregation.)

Lead, kindly Light, amid th' encircling gloom,
Lead Thou me on:
The night is dark, and I am far from home,
Lead Thou me on.
Keep Thou my feet: I do not ask to see
The distant scene,—one step enough for me.

I was not ever thus, nor prayed that Thou
Should'st lead me on:
I loved to choose and see my path; but now
Lead Thou me on.
I loved the garish day; and, spite of fears,
Pride ruled my will: remember not past years.

So long Thy power has blest me, sure it still
Will lead me on
Through dreary doubt, through pain and sorrow, till
The night is gone.
And, with the morn, those angel faces smile,
Which I have loved long since, and lost awhile.

—J. H. Newman.

BENEDICTION.

SERVICE XVI.

PROEM.

Rabbi:

SEARCHER of all hearts, who judgest the words and thoughts and deeds of all men justly, we desire to live more in accordance with Thy law. We are, therefore, come to draw the life-sustaining waters of the wells of salvation and to seek the soul-nourishing food of divine truth. Not alone by bread does man live, but also by the power of Thy holy word, revealed to us by Thy inspired prophets. Be with us in this hour, when we are gathered for prayer and study. Strengthen our resolution to serve Thee with a perfect heart. May our mouths speak Thy praise and may we join all flesh in blessing Thy holy name forever and ever. Amen.

THE WORSHIP OF GOD.

(*To be sung by Choir and Congregation.*)

'Tis not by prayers loud and long,
By contrite beating of the breast,
By psalm, by hymn, by sacred song,
God's name most truthfully is blest.

'Tis not by ceremonies vain,
By antique creed, by ancient rite,
By customs, which your souls disdain,
You worship God, the Lord of Light.

But when you aid the righteous meek,
Bring light unto the darkened mind,
Support the falling, help the weak,
You praise the Lord of all mankind.

Love mercy, practise justice true!
Strive e'er to make injustice fall!
Assist thy fellow-man, and you
Will worship God, the Lord of all!

—J. Leonard Levy.

GLORIFICATION.

Rabbi:

Our Father, the heavens are Thy throne and the earth is Thy footstool. Whatsover place we build is Thine and the unconfined universe is Thy dwelling. Lightning and thunder, snow and hail, fire and vapor, wind and water, mountains and hills, fruitful trees and cedars; cattle and winged fowl, creeping things and finny tribes; kings of the earth and all people, princes and all judges of the earth; young men and maidens, old men and children—all are products of Thy creative will, all praise Thy holy

name, for it alone is exalted above the earth and heaven.

It is Thy glory, O God, that Thou openest Thy hand and providest for the desires of all that Thou hast called into being. Thy tender care slumbers not nor sleeps. Day by day Thou loadest us with benefits. When the deep waters of affliction rise even unto our souls, Thou art with us, and when the searing fires of sorrow threaten to destroy Thou sufferest them not to kindle upon us. Thou art righteous in all Thy ways and holy in all Thy works. Thou art our Rock, Thy deeds are designed in perfect justice. Thou art a God of faithfulness, there is no unrighteousness in Thee. Thou art nigh to all who call upon Thee in truth. Let Thy ear be attentive to the voice of our petition as we pray:

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(*Choral Response.*)

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(*Deut. vi., 4.*)

OLD TESTAMENT READINGS.

(*For Rabbi, Congregation and Choir respectively.*)

INDUSTRY.

Rabbi:

Man goeth forth unto his work,
And to his labor until the evening.

CONGREGATION:

If thou eat the labor of thine hands,
Happy shalt thou be.

Choir:

Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do
Do it with thy might.

He that gathereth by labor shall increase,
The hand of the diligent maketh rich.

The sleep of a laboring man is sweet,
Whether he eat little or much.

He that tilleth his land
Shall have plenty of bread.

In labor there is profit,
But talk of the lips tendeth to poverty.

The hand of the diligent shall rule;
But the slothful shall be under tribute.

The sluggard's soul desireth, and hath nothing;
The soul of the diligent shall be made fat.

Seest thou a man diligent in his work,
Before kings shall he stand.

The labor of the righteous tendeth to life;
The fruit of the wicked to sin.

There is nothing better for a man
Than to enjoy good in his labor.

The thoughts of the diligent tend to plenty;
The idle soul shall suffer hunger.

He that is slothful in his work
Is brother to him that is a great waster.

As the door turneth on its hinges,
So doth the slothful upon his bed.

PRAYER.

Rabbi:

Blessed be Thou, O Lord our God, who hast imposed on Thy children the law of labor for the due maintenance of health and life. The whole universe sets before us an unexcelled picture of ceaseless activity. From the planets whirling in space, to the tiny mote in the sunbeam, there is no idleness in the realms of inanimate nature. Without haste, but without rest, the worlds and their contents, called into existence by Thy will, are ever unfolding to our gaze testimonies of the tireless operation of Thy laws. May we imitate Thy method, O God. May ours be an active and an industrious life. May we set aside a due part of our time to Thy worship, to a contemplation of Thy wondrous laws, to a consideration of the awe-inspiring works of Thy hands, to the study of Thy word, revealed to us through the intelligence and spirituality of Thy chosen servants. But we pray Thee to help us to see the blessings of labor, and also its dignity and utility. In the midst of an active world, may we not be slothful. Amid the busy scenes of earthly life, may we not be idle. Make clear to us the duty to labor for competence and independence, and may we follow Thy changeless laws of health,

never abusing them in our desire to provide ourselves with the necessaries of life.

Be with us each day, so that our work may be a proof that we are children of God, so that our labor, performed with honest hearts and willing hands, may be an offering fit to bring before Thee, for we praise Thee as much by the day's labor, as by the fervent outpourings of our lips. May all we do be to the glory of Thy holy name. Grant us, in Thy mercy, health of body as well as of mind, so that we may perform our duty fully and faithfully.

Enable us, O Lord, to make our lives, temples worthy of Thee. Restrain our hands from wrong-doing, our lips from evil speaking, our hearts from ill-feeling and our minds from impure thinking. May our motives be upright, and may we add to them unfaltering devotion to Thee, patient labor for our loved ones and ourselves, and persevering endeavors for the good and welfare of our fellow-men.

Whatever be our measure of earthly success or trial, may it be pleasing to Thee to grant us Thyself for our portion. With Thee for our guide and guard, with Thee for our shield and defense, we can never want for any good thing. The flinty rock Thou makest to give forth pure waters of spiritual health. The hard and stony ground Thou makest

to abound with the fruits of highest joy. Our God, how can we thank Thee for the myriads of blessings which Thy beneficence strews along our path! How can we praise Thee for even the smallest of the innumerable favors Thou showerest upon us! We would be more and more what Thou desirest us to be. We ask Thy divine aid in our endeavor to sanctify our lives, so that our lips may be worthy to praise Thee in the words of the angels' chorus, written by the hand of Thy prophet:

Holy, Holy, Holy, is the Lord of hosts, the whole world is full of His glory. Amen.

(*Choral Response.*)

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ANTHEM.

LECTURE.

WORK.

(*To be sung by Choir and Congregation.*)

Work! it is thy highest mission.
Work! all blessing centres there.
Work for culture, for the vision
Of the true and good and fair.

'Tis of knowledge the condition,
Opening still new fields beyond;
'Tis of thought the full fruition;
'Tis of love the perfect bond.

Work in helping, loving union
With thy brethren of mankind:
With the foremost hold communion,
Succor those who toil behind.

For true work can never perish,
And thy followers in the way
For thy works thy name shall cherish:
Work while it is called to-day!

—F. M. White.

BENEDICTION.

SERVICE XVII.

PROEM.

Rabbi:

NO WORD of ours can add to Thy greatness or goodness, O God; no worship of ours can increase Thy holiness. We do not worship Thee in the belief that our prayer or praise is necessary to Thee. We come before Thee with grateful love and in humble faith because Thou art needed by us, because our hearts yearn to be uplifted by the power of Thy tender thought of us. From the recesses of a lowly spirit we look up to Thee, convinced that those who seek Thee with all their hearts will ever find Thee. May we here learn that all Thy designs are for our lasting welfare and may we find here the strength that shall enable us to trust Thee all the days of our life and to live according to Thy holy will. May our meditation be sweet before Thee and may we find in Thee the true source of our great gladness. Amen.

THANKSGIVING.

(*To be sung by Choir and Congregation.*)

Thank the Lord, who made the earth,
Gave the seas and heavens birth;

God the Lord, whose word of might
Out of darkness called the light;
Full of mercy evermore,
Him, the Lord of lords, adore!

Thank the Lord, who set the sun
Day by day his course to run;
Lit the moon, serenely bright;
Spread the stars around the night;
Full of mercy evermore,
Him, the Lord of lords, adore!

Thank the Lord, who heeds our call,
Hears his children, feeds them all;
Thank the Lord, whose love has given
Man the bread of life from heaven;
Full of mercy evermore,
Him, the Lord of lords, adore!

— Harcourt.

GLORIFICATION.

Rabbi:

Thou art, O God, the Rock, whose deeds are perfect and whose ways are righteous. Who is God save Thee, O Lord? Who is the Rock of ages save Thee, our God? Thou art a faithful God in whom there is no iniquity, upright and perfect art Thou. No man can see Thee and live. The human mind fails to comprehend the glorious majesty of Thy

being. We cannot find Thee out, but Thy handiwork declares Thy glory and the whole realm of nature testifies to Thy righteousness. Thou clothest Thyself with holiness as with a garment, Thou coverest Thyself with justice as with a cloak. As the azure firmament domes the earth so does Thy love encompass the children of men. As the air we breathe surrounds us on all sides, so does Thy providence serve as an impregnable fortress to us. The soul of every living thing blesses Thy name, O Lord our God, and the spirit of all flesh glorifies Thee, our only King; from everlasting unto everlasting Thou art the only God. We therefore extol Thee and reverently raise our voices to Thee in humble prayer, saying:

(*Rabbi and Congregation read this Petition together.*)

Our God, who art in heaven, may the unity of Thy name be proclaimed throughout the world. May the kingdom of righteousness be speedily established on earth. May we accept whatsoever Thou sendest us, saying: This is from the Lord; let Him do what seemeth Him right. Remove our sins far from us and forgive us according to Thy loving-kindness. Help us to be pure of heart and clean of hands. May we deal with our fellowmen as Thou, God, dealest with us, doing justice, loving mercy, seeking equity. May we always bear our-

selves as though we felt that Thou God dost see us. May we add to the good in the world and strive to overcome the evil. Grant us sustenance for soul and body and cause the work of our hands to prosper. We humbly pray Thee to be with us in all the ways we go, and may we sanctify Thy name in life and death through the words of our holy teacher, "Hear, O Israel, the Eternal is our God, the Eternal is One."

(*Choral Response.*)

שמע ישראל יהוה אלהינו יהוה אחד.

(*Deut. vi., 4.*)

OLD TESTAMENT READINGS.

(*For Rabbi, Congregation and Choir respectively.*)

GRATITUDE.

Rabbi:

Offer unto God thanksgiving;
Pay thy vows to the Most High.

CONGREGATION:

It is good to give thanks unto the Lord,
To sing praises unto Thy name, O Most High.

Choir:

Rejoice in the Lord; and give thanks
At the remembrance of His holiness.

The Lord satisfieth the longing soul,
He filleth the hungry soul with goodness;

He spake and it was done;
He commanded and it stood fast.

He sendeth the springs into the valleys,
They run among the hills;

He causeth the grass to grow for cattle,
He bringeth forth food out of the earth;

O Lord, how manifold are Thy works,
In wisdom hast Thou made them all;

Oh that men would praise the Lord,
For His goodness and for His wonderful works.

Beware that thou forget not the Lord thy God,
In not keeping His commands and His statutes;

When thou hast eaten and art full,
And hast built goodly houses and dwelt therein,

When thy herds and thy flocks multiply
And thy silver and thy gold is multiplied,

Then say not in thy heart, My power
And my hand have gotten me this wealth,

But thou shalt remember the Lord thy God,
For it is He that giveth thee power to get wealth.

Oh give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,
His mercy endureth forever.

PRAYER.

Rabbi:

When we remember the multitude of Thy mercies, our Father in heaven, our hearts are stirred within us. From the moment of our birth until the hour of our death, we are surrounded by countless proofs of the love of a living God. We thank Thee for Thy gracious mercies, which are more numerous than the sands of the seashore, and for Thy benefits toward us, which have been as countless as the stars of heaven. We thank Thee for the life Thou hast given us and for its duties and joys; for all the hours of peace Thou hast sent us and for all the trials wherewith Thou hast seen fit to test our moral worth.

Grant us, we pray Thee, a sincere sense of appreciation of all Thou doest for us, and a heartfelt gratitude for all the good gifts Thou hast showered upon us. May we prove ourselves grateful by lovingly and trustfully heeding Thy commands and obeying Thy law. May we have mercy for the poor and the forsaken. May we show tender pity towards the needy. May all our deeds be inspired by a love of justice and all our acts consecrated by a spirit of fairness. May our souls not starve within us, but help us, O God, to nourish them by seeking Thee early, by earnest contemplation of Thy works, by frequent study of Thy holy word.

We pray Thee for Thy help in our endeavor to be upright men and women. Free us from slavery to our passions and unholy desires. Help us to overcome our unrighteous anger and fretful temper. Save us from an ever-ready desire to judge our neighbors uncharitably and from an all too willing readiness to believe evil of others. May our tongues speak truth and our hearts pulsate harmoniously with the sweet music of kindness. We sin and we come in contact with sin; be Thou with us and aid us to avoid misdeed and to overcome the temptation to do wrong. Make us to know Thy will so that we may love righteousness more than covetousness, justice more than self-interest, and mercy more than greed.

Grant unto us a clean heart and breathe a righteous spirit into us. May the work of our hands be in harmony with the professions of our lips. May our whole life be a joyous song of humble gratitude to Thee. May we so act that our worship of Thee becomes no idle mockery. May we so live that it will be a tribute, uttered by worthy lips, when we praise Thee in these words of the great prophet:

Holy, Holy, Holy, is the Lord of hosts, the whole world is full of His glory. Amen.

(*Choral Response.*)

קדוש קדוש קדוש יהוה צבאות מלא כל הארץ כבודו.

(*Isaiah vi., 3.*)

(*The Rabbi shall read the Ten Commandments or a selection from the Scriptures, appropriate to the Lecture of the Day.*)

Solo –

FOR THE BEREAVED.

(*See page 15.*)

ANTHEM.

LECTURE.

THE SUPREME GOOD.

(*To be sung by Choir and Congregation.*)

Lord, it is not life to live,
If Thy presence Thou deny;
Lord, if Thou Thy presence give,
'Tis no longer death to die.

Source and Giver of repose!
Singly from Thy smile it flows;
Peace and happiness are Thine;
Mine they are, if Thou art mine.

—A. M. Toplady.

BENEDICTION.

SERVICE XVIII.

PROEM.

Rabbi:

LET Thy mercy, O God, be upon us, according as we hope in Thee. Desiring life and loving many days, we approach Thee in Thy house, to live more abundantly through our desire to take Thee into life with us. Teach us Thy will, O God, lead us in a plain path. Guide us by Thy truth and shew us the way of life. Thou art good and upright, the God of our salvation; on Thee do we wait all the day. Shew us a sign for good; send us help from the sanctuary and strengthen us out of Zion. Hear us and defend us in the hour of need. May we bless Thee by our lives and praise Thee by our deeds. May our tongues speak Thy righteousness and our lips praise Thy goodness, now and forever. Amen.

"THY WORD IS TRUTH."

(*To be sung by Choir and Congregation.*)

O Thou, whose Love can ne'er forget
Its offspring, Great Eternal Mind!
We thank Thee that Thy truth is yet
A sojourner among mankind;

A light before whose brightness fall
The feet arrayed to tread it down,
A voice whose strong and solemn call
The cry of nations cannot drown.

Thy servants, at this sacred hour,
With humble prayer Thy throne surround,
That here, in glory and in power,
That light may shine, that voice may sound,

Till Error's shades shall flee away,
And Faith, descending from above,
Amid the pure and perfect day,
Shall bring her fairer sister Love.

—W. C. Bryant.

GLORIFICATION.

Rabbi:

O Thou, Father of mercy, the earth is Thine and the fulness thereof. The flaming orb of day and the glistening lights of night, the streams and rivers and oceans, in which live both great creatures and small and in which may be found forests of coral and pearl are the products of Thy word. The forests teeming with life, the templed hills and emerald woods, the mines and caves in earth's interior and the myriad forms of life, dwelling on earth's surface, all exist by Thy will. Everywhere

art Thou, everything proclaims Thy presence. We see Thee in these realms of nature, but also Thou art to be found working everywhere for the good of Thy children, making Thyself manifest as a God whose highest attribute is love. In love didst Thou create heaven and earth, regarding Thy work as exceeding good. In love didst Thou create man, forming him for the enjoyment and the exercise of love. How can we thank Thee enough for all the marks of affection lavished upon us? To thank and to love Thee aright all Thou askest is that we live aright, therefore we humbly ask Thee to grant us the petition we bring before Thee as we pray:

(*Rabbi and Congregation read this Petition together.*)

Our God, who art in heaven, may the unity of Thy name be proclaimed throughout the world. May the kingdom of righteousness be speedily established on earth. May we accept whatsoever Thou sendest us, saying: This is from the Lord: let Him do what seemeth Him right. Remove our sins far from us and forgive us according to Thy loving-kindness. Help us to be pure of heart and clean of hands. May we deal with our fellowmen as Thou, God, dealest with us, doing justice, loving mercy, seeking equity. May we always bear ourselves as though we felt that Thou God dost see us. May we add to the good in the world and

strive to overcome the evil. Grant us sustenance for soul and body and cause the work of our hands to prosper. We humbly pray Thee to be with us in all the ways we go, and may we sanctify Thy name in life and death through the words of our holy teacher, "Hear, O Israel the Eternal is our God, the Eternal is One."

(*Choral Response.*)

שמע ישראל יהוה אלהינו יהוה אחד.

(*Deut. vi., 4.*)

OLD TESTAMENT READINGS.

(*For Rabbi, Congregation and Choir respectively.*)

THE RELIGION OF LOVE.

Rabbi:

Thou shalt love the Lord thy God
With all thy heart and soul and might.

CONGREGATION:

Thou shalt not hate thy brother in thy heart.
Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself.

Choir:

Love ye the stranger; for ye
Were strangers in the land of Egypt.

Have we not all one Father?
Hath not one God created us?

Why, then, should we deal treacherously
To profane the covenant of our fathers?

How good and how pleasant it is
For brethren to dwell together in unity.

If thou meet thine enemy's ox going astray
Thou shalt surely bring it back to him.

If thine enemy be hungry,
Give him bread to eat;

If thine enemy be thirsty,
Give him water to drink.

Thus saith the Lord: Execute true justice
And show kindness and mercy to each other.

Seek for justice, relieve the oppressed,
Do justice to the orphan, plead for the widow.

Hatred stirreth up strifes;
But love covereth all sins.

Before the hoary head shalt thou rise up
And honor the face of the aged.

Thou shalt not curse the deaf,
Nor put a stumbling block before the blind.

Happy is he that careth for the poor;
In the day of evil will the Lord deliver him.

PRAYER.

Rabbi:

Father of all men, whose love is as unchangeable as Thy mercy is illimitable, we bless Thee for all the goodness Thou hast shewn us. Standing here before Thee, our very presence is a proof of Thy never-ending love, even as our service is a testimony that Thy mercy has kindled within us the holy flame of love. To think of Thee is to love Thee. To love Thee is to do Thy will, to keep Thy commandments. Often do we strive to thus prove our love for Thee, but alas, our will is weak, our spirit is feeble, our determination is unstable and infirm.

We pray Thee, O God, to let Thy spirit rest upon us, even the spirit of love and benevolence, of brotherly-affection and peace. Help us to make smooth the rough conditions prevailing among men and to make straight that which is crooked. May we strive to bring low the mountains of evil and fill up the valleys of despondency and misery with works of mercy and deeds of sympathy. May the honeyed sweetness of sin become to us as the bitterness of gall and wormwood. May the hardness and cruelty of men seem as the caressings of affection in the presence of Thy love which embraces us and soothes us and assures us of ultimate joy and peace.

Dwell in our hearts, Father of love, and may Thy presence be felt there so plainly that we may become possessed by the holy charity that can endure all things, hope all things, trust all things, forgive all things. Thus may our hearts be attuned to the heavenly music of religion and thus, through those in whom is Thy love and who shew it forth by pure and holy lives, may the days of universal brotherhood be established on earth.

Command Thy angels to guard us in all the ways we go. Keep Thou our going out and our coming in. May our rising up and lying down be with thoughts of peace and good will towards all men. May our wishes never be contrary to Thy commands, nor our pleasures more attractive than Thy holy will. May we do whatsoever Thou desirest of us, even if it clash with our own purposes. In all things may our desires be in harmony with Thy laws, so that we pass through life without stumbling and without stain. Be Thou our pillar of light in the night of adversity and our pillar of cloud in the days of prosperity to guide us through the wilderness of life onward to a land of promise.

Almighty God, to know and to love whose will is righteousness, help us to strive for the right and to establish its kingdom on earth. Be thou with all who are denied justice and inspire those who

pervert Thy will to repent and recognize Thy rule. Hasten the day of brotherly-love. Remove the stumbling-blocks of ignorance and prejudice from among men. Cause truth to be spread and justice to be done and equity to be established. Let passion and violence, selfishness and hatred, superstition and oppression, idolatry and deceit, soon pass away. Let the era of true religion soon be ushered in, so that love may spread its sunshine over all hearts and joy be the glorious inheritance of all Thy children on earth; so that an uplifted, pure, just race of men may rise and praise Thee with the sanctifying paean of the angels, written for us by the hand of Thy prophet:

Holy, Holy, Holy, is the Lord of hosts, the whole world is full of His glory. Amen.

(Choral Response.)

קדוש קדוש קדוש יהוה צבאות מלא כל הארץ כבודו.

(Isaiah vi., 3.)

(The Rabbi shall read the Ten Commandments or a selection from the Scriptures, appropriate to the Lecture of the Day.)

FOR THE BEREAVED.

(See page 15.)

ANTHEM.

LECTURE.

WE NEVER PART FROM THEE.

(*To be sung by Choir and Congregation.*)

God, who dwellest everywhere,
God, who makest all thy care,
God, who hearest every prayer,
Thou who seest the heart,—
Thou, to whom we lift our eyes,
Father, help our souls to rise,
And, beyond these narrow skies,
See Thee as Thou art.

Let our anxious thoughts be still,
Holy trust adore Thy will,
Holy love our bosoms fill;
Let our songs ascend.
Dearest friends may parted be,
All our earthly treasures flee,
Yet we never part from Thee,
Our Eternal Friend.

—E. L. Follen.

BENEDICTION.

SERVICE XIX.

PROEM.

Rabbi:

RELYING on Thy mercy and not on our own righteousness, we approach Thee, our Father, to lift our souls above all sordidness and worldliness. In Thy Holy of Holies we prostrate ourselves to gain the spiritual vision that may enable us to properly perceive the things that are eternal. Help us to set a true estimate on all things, which, like the fashion of the earth, passeth away. May we leave this sanctuary more like that which Thou wouldst have us be. May the fragrance of holiness cling to us in our contact with our fellow-men. May ours be an acceptable service before Thee, and may it strengthen within us every good resolution and noble impulse. Amen.

HONOR THE DUTIFUL.

(*To be sung by Choir and Congregation.*)

Honor to him who freely gives
  Of his abundant store;
Who shares the gifts that he receives
  With those who need them more;
Whose melting heart of pity moves
  O'er sorrow and distress;
Of all his friends who mostly loves
  The poor and fatherless.

Honor to him who shuns to do
An action mean or low;
Who will a nobler cause pursue
To stranger, friend or foe;
Who seeks for justice more than gain,
Is merciful and kind;
Who will not cause a needless pain
In body or in mind.

Honor to him who scorns to be
To name or sect a slave;
Whose soul is like the sunshine, free,
Free as the ocean wave;
Who, when he sees oppression, wrong,
Speaks out in thunder-tones;
Who feels that he with truth is strong,
To grapple e'en with thrones.

—Anon.

GLORIFICATION.

Rabbi:

Blessed and glorified be Thy name, forever and forever, O Lord our God. Thou art the gracious giver of life and all its joys, the guardian of all Thy children, never slumbering, nor sleeping. Whether earth be wrapped in calm stillness, or its uneven face be ruffled by the rage of the tempest, Thou art ever present. The rains and snows which fertilize the earth, the ever moving ocean, as well as the mountains, plains and valleys, shew forth Thy wondrous power, which ever protects and provides

for us. The bright light of dawning day and the glowing fires of the sunset proclaim Thee nigh. We never stray from Thee, for Thy presence, as Thy power, is made manifest everywhere. From the glowing orb of day to the hyssop growing in the cranny of the wall, from the glorious beauties of the rainbow to the irridiscent hues of the seaside shell, from the forethought of the ant to the inventive genius of man, all the universe tells us in unspoken, but unceasing, words of Thy glorious majesty and of the unutterable beauty of Thy holiness. We adore Thee and acknowledge no God but Thee, the Creator and Sustainer of the Universe. Thee alone do we worship, to Thee alone do we raise our voices in prayer. Hear us, our Father and grant us Thy favor in response to the petition we put before Thee:

(*Rabbi and Congregation read this Petition together.*)

Our God, who art in heaven, may the unity of Thy name be proclaimed throughout the world. May the kingdom of righteousness be speedily established on earth. May we accept whatsoever Thou sendest us, saying: This is from the Lord: let Him do what seemeth Him right. Remove our sins far from us and forgive us according to Thy loving-kindness. Help us to be pure of heart and clean of hands. May we deal with our fellowmen

as Thou, God, dealest with us, doing justice, loving mercy, seeking equity. May we always bear ourselves as though we felt that Thou God dost see us. May we add to the good in the world and strive to overcome the evil. Grant us sustenance for soul and body and cause the work of our hands to prosper. We humbly pray Thee to be with us in all the ways we go, and may we sanctify Thy name in life and death through the words of our holy teacher, "Hear, O Israel, the Eternal is our God, the Eternal is One."

(*Choral Response.*)

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(*Deut. vi., 4.*)

OLD TESTAMENT READINGS.

(*For Rabbi, Congregation and Choir respectively.*)

THE RELIGION OF DUTY.

Rabbi:

The Lord thy God shalt thou revere,
Him shalt thou serve;

CONGREGATION:

To Him shalt thou cleave,
And by His name shalt thou swear.

Choir:

Ye shall not swear by God's name falsely,
Neither profane the name of God.

The meek shall inherit the earth,
And delight in the abundance of peace.

Seek ye the Lord, all ye meek of the earth;
Seek righteousness, seek meekness.

When pride cometh then cometh shame;
But with the lowly is wisdom.

False balances are abomination to the Lord;
But a full weight gaineth His favor.

Ye shall not steal,
Nor lie to one another.

Thou shalt not withhold anything
From thy neighbor, nor rob him.

Woe unto them that devise wickedness
And resolve on evil upon their couches!

Exercise justice every morning, and deliver
Him that is robbed, from the hand of oppressors.

Thou shalt not go up and down
As a talebearer, among thy people.

What is gone out of thy lips
Shalt thou keep and perform.

Carry on thy cause with thy neighbor
But lay not open the secret of another.

Cursed be he that smiteth his neighbor secretly,
And all the people shall say, Amen.

PRAYER.

Rabbi:

O Thou great, mighty and awe-inspiring God, who givest power to the faint and increasest strength to them that have no might! Without Thy gracious aid we are of no avail, but with Thy divine help, we are enabled to perform the duties laid upon us in our various spheres of husbands and wives, of brothers and sisters, of sons and daughters, of friends and neighbors, of superiors and inferiors, of citizens and children of God. Grant us ears to hear, eyes to see and hearts to follow Thy behests. May Thy will and our will be in perfect harmony.

We thank Thee, O God, for the word given to us by the mouth of Thy servants, the teachers of men, inscribed in our Holy Book, our guide to duty. Grant us Thy fatherly help that we may direct ourselves by its law, conduct ourselves by its rules and order our steps by its commands. May we search its pages and learn of its divine wisdom so to act and so to live that our days may be spent in deeds of holiness. May we pursue the path it indicates to us and may we permit its light to illumine all the ways we go.

Help us, O God, to tread under foot all that is base and low in us. May we more and more permit

the divine and eternal to be commingled with the affairs of life. May we add to right thinking right conduct, to strict justice brotherly-kindness, to a high sense of duty the deep sympathy of love. As in these winter days, the vegetable world is restrained from putting forth the verdant buds and blossoms, but when the genial warmth of the spring and summer returns it will deck itself in bridal array, so let us understand that human life grows but little under the numbing and paralyzing influence of injustice and wrong-doing, but puts forth abundantly, to Thy glory and to the greater good of man, under the gentle influence of the warmth of love. Let us then, we pray Thee, so behold revelations of Thee in all Thy works, that we humbly imitate Thy providential and paternal loving-kindness.

Bless all who are gathered here to-day. Bless the parents and their little ones. May they grow in godlikeness daily. May each home become a sanctuary. May there proceed from among all men holy influences that make for righteousness. Bless all strangers who are with us to-day. All are Thy children; to all art Thou a father; strangers though they be to us, they are known to Thee. Let Thy benediction descend upon them and let none of their upright requests be unanswered by Thee. Remem-

ber the souls that are struggling to be free and holy. Comfort the comfortless, help the helpless, heal the sick, support the falling, sustain the downcast.

Make men to see that as Thou art one, without division or parts, so should mankind become a perfect unity. Still the voice of prejudice and cast out all rancor and bitterness of sectarian strife. May the day be nigh when the unholy bands of wickedness shall be broken and the eyes of the spiritually blind shall be opened, when all men shall acknowledge Thy rule and glorify Thee in the words of Holy Writ, saying:

Holy, Holy, Holy is the Lord of hosts, the whole world is full of His glory. Amen.

(*Choral Response.*)

קדוש קדוש קדוש יהוה צבאות מלא כל הארץ כבודו.

(*Isaiah vi., 3.*)

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FOR THE BEREAVED.

(*See page 15.*)

ANTHEM.

LECTURE.

A PURPOSE IN LIFE.

(*To be sung by Choir and Congregation.*)

Live for something; be not idle,
Look about thee for employ;
Sit not down to useless dreaming,
Labor is the sweetest joy.
Folded hands are ever weary,
Selfish hearts are never gay;
Life for thee hath many duties—
Active be, then, while you may.

Scatter blessings in your pathway,—
Gentle words and cheering smiles;
Better far than gold and silver
Are their grief-dispelling wiles,
As the pleasant sunshine falleth
Ever on the grateful earth,
So let sympathy and kindness
Gladden well the darkened hearth.

Hearts that are oppressed and weary,
Drop the tear of sympathy;
Whisper words of hope and comfort,
Give, and thy reward shall be
Joy, unto thy soul returning,
From this perfect fountain-head;
Freely as thou freely givest,
Shall the grateful light be shed.

—Anon.

BENEDICTION.

SERVICE XX.

PROEM.

Rabbi:

RETIRING from the world for a moment we lift our souls to Thee, our God and the God of our fathers. May we be bathed in the sanctifying dews of purity and flooded with the sunshine of righteousness. May we here find strength for the moment of weakness, consolation for the hour of trial and light for the day of evil. Come unto us, O God, as we draw nigh unto Thee. Enter Thou our hearts as we enter Thy house in the fervent hope of leaving it uplifted and ennobled by worshipping Thee. Be Thou our sun and shield. Guide us in our devotions and guard us on our way, now and forever. Amen.

HOLD ON!

(*To be sung by Choir and Congregation.*)

There are moments when life's shadows
  Fall all darkly on the soul,
Hiding stars of hope behind them
  In a black, impervious scroll;
When we walk with trembling footsteps,
  Scarcely knowing how or where
The dim paths we tread are leading,
  In our midnight of despair.

Stand we firm in that dread moment,
Stand we firm, nor shrink away;
Looking boldly through the darkness,
Wait the coming of the day;
Gath'ring strength while we are waiting
For the conflict yet to come;
Fear not, fail not, light will lead us
Yet in safety to our home.

Firmly stand, though sirens lure us;
Firmly stand, though falsehood rail;
Holding justice, truth, and mercy.
Die we may, but cannot fail;
Fail! it is the word of cowards,
Fail! the language of the slave;
Firmly stand, till duty beckons;
Onward then, e'en to thy grave.

—F. D. Gage.

GLORIFICATION.

Rabbi:

Thy mercy, O Lord, is in the heavens; and Thy faithfulness reacheth unto the clouds. Thy righteousness is like the great mountains; Thy judgments are like the great deep: O Lord, Thou preservest man and beast. How excellent is Thy loving-kindness, O God! therefore the children of men put their trust under the shadow of Thy wings. For with Thee is the fountain of life; in Thy light shall we see light.

Many, O Lord our God, are Thy wonderful works which Thou hast done, and Thy thoughts which are toward us: they cannot be reckoned up; if we would declare and speak of them, they are more than can be numbered. In all the glories of the heavens, in all the beauties of the earth, in all the wonders of the sea, Thy presence may be seen by all whom faith enlightens and love of Thee inspires. Thou art the Lord of hosts, the Eternal is Thy name; Thy glory hast Thou given not to another nor Thy honor to graven images. We call upon Thee, O God, assured that Thou wilt save us. We cast our burden upon Thee, certain that Thou wilt sustain us. Hear us, Father of all, and answer our petition which, with fervent devotion, we offer before Thee, saying:

(*Rabbi and Congregation read this Petition together.*)

Our God, who art in heaven, may the unity of Thy name be proclaimed throughout the world. May the kingdom of righteousness be speedily established on earth. May we accept whatsoever Thou sendest us, saying: This is from the Lord: let Him do what seemeth Him right. Remove our sins far from us and forgive us according to Thy loving-kindness. Help us to be pure of heart and clean of hands. May we deal with our fellowmen as Thou, God, dealest with us, doing justice, loving

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(*Choral Response.*)

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(*Deut. vi., 4.*)

OLD TESTAMENT READINGS.

(*For Rabbi, Congregation and Choir respectively.*)

THE RELIGION OF DUTY.

Rabbi:

Turn ye not unto idols,
Nor make unto yourselves molten gods.

CONGREGATION:

Thou shalt not hate thy neighbor;
In righteousness shalt thou judge thy neighbor.

Choir:

In the path of righteousness there is life,
In the pathway thereof, there is no death.

Sanctify yourselves and be ye holy;
For I, the Lord your God, am holy.

Ye shall every one revere, his mother and father
And keep my Sabbaths; I am the Lord.

Whoso sheddeth the blood of man
By man shall his blood be shed.

Seek the welfare of the city,
And pray in its behalf unto the Lord.

Proclaim liberty throughout the land
Unto all the inhabitants thereof.

Thou shalt not oppress a hired servant,
Whether he be of thy brethren or of thy strangers.

Thou shalt not muzzle the ox
When he thresheth out the corn.

Better is little with righteousness
Than great revenues without right.

He that hasteth to be rich, considereth not
That poverty shall come upon him.

Remove from thee frowardness of heart,
Perverseness of lips put away from thee.

Let another man praise thee
And not thine own lips.

Revere God and keep His commandments
For this is the whole duty of man.

PRAYER.

Rabbi:

O Thou who art the Father of all men, the Sovereign and Lord of the Universe! Humbly we bend before Thee and ask the outpouring of Thy holy spirit on all assembled before Thee. Man that is born of woman is of few days, yet those days may be made of good effect if he will apply his heart to wisdom. Lord God, open Thou our eyes to see our duty and give us a willing disposition to perform it, however difficult it may be, however much it may lacerate our flesh or wound our hearts.

For us heroes and martyrs have striven and died. To make the world better and men holier, the noblest have offered themselves as sacrifices. They have gone as sheep to the slaughter and as a lamb before the shearer is dumb, so they opened not their mouth. They dedicated themselves to Thee by their service to their fellowmen. To-day they are enshrined in the hearts of humanity, their praise departs not from our lips, their names are honored and sung. But in their day they were despised and rejected of men, abused and disowned.

Thus, too, has Israel suffered in the long procession of the ages. Men have made of him a by-word and a scorn, a mockery and a derision. Yet Thy people have only done their appointed duty of

announcing Thy holiness and unity and of testifying to Thy existence. O God, our fathers trusted in Thee; they trusted and they were never ashamed. Grant us the spirit of our brave ancestors. May we speak of Thy statutes before men and not be put to shame. May our lives be domed by love and supported by justice and righteousness. May our deeds be evidences that we love Thee above our choicest possessions and that Thy spirit constrains us. May we be worthy members of the fold of Israel.

Help us ever to worship Thee in the spirit of an upright belief, not bending the knee to gods of the human imagination, but to Thee alone, our fathers' God, the one only God, Creator of the ends of the earth. May we hold Thy name in reverence and publicly worship Thee in the beauty of holiness on days of solemn assembly, as well as in our daily experience. Turn the hearts of the parents towards their children and may they honor them by pious precept and example; and also turn the hearts of the children towards their parents, and may they honor them by loving service and devoted faithfulness. Inspire us with a profound respect for the life, honor, property, and reputation of our neighbors. Help us to set a watch on our hearts, so that they become the source of pure feeling, that we know not envy and indulge not in covetousness.

In the stern duties of life may we not be found wanting. May our hands be clean and our hearts pure. May we backbite not with our tongues, nor join in doing deceit. Thus may we become worthy of dwelling in Thy tabernacle and of abiding in Thy holy hill. Thus may we earn Thy favor so that we be not moved. Turn the hearts of all men towards each other. In the ranks of earth's pilgrims may there grow a clear comprehension of the fact that we are all wending our way towards one end, and that, on that road, we are all bound by the common tie of mortality. As we pass along the road of our pilgrimage, may ours be a life that continually shews forth Thy praise, may our song be that of the angels, who, of old, sang to Thee:

Holy, Holy, Holy is the Lord of hosts, the whole world is full of His glory. Amen.

(*Choral Response.*)

קדוש קדוש קדוש יהוה צבאות מלא כל הארץ כבודו.

(*Isaiah vi., 3.*)

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FOR THE BEREAVED.

(*See page 15.*)

ANTHEM.

LECTURE.

THE LIBERATORS.

(*To be sung by Choir and Congregation.*)

An off'ring to the shrine of pow'r
Our hands shall never bring;
A garland on the car of pomp
Our hands shall never fling;
Applauding in the conqueror's path
Our voices ne'er shall be;
But we have hearts to honor those
Who bade the world go free!

Praise to the good, the pure, the great,
Who made us what we are!
Who lit the flame which yet shall glow,
With radiance brighter far;
Glory to them in coming time,
And through eternity,
Who burst the captive's galling chain,
And bade the world go free!

—H. Nicoll.

BENEDICTION.

SERVICE XXI.

PROEM.

Rabbi:

BE PLEASED, O God, to look with favor upon the offering we bring to Thee with willing hands and loving hearts. May our service be the source of holy living and high thinking. May it lead to a consecration of our every thought, word and deed. May it prove an uplift of heart and soul. Grant, O Lord, that we may be led from our meditation of Thy perfection to render helpful service to our fellowmen. Amen.

OUR CREED.

(*To be sung by Choir and Congregation.*)

There is one only God
Through nature's vast domains:
A God of Righteousness,
Whose love fore'er remains.
None can compare to Him,
Eternal is His name,
He was of old, He is,
And will be e'er the same.

He is the First and Last,
And absolutely One;
Without divided parts,
And equal has He none.

Unchanging is His law,
Immutable His will,
And though we often err,
His mercy guards us still.

Our inmost secret thought
Before Him open lies,
Our deeds are all observed
By His all-seeing eyes.
All goodness He rewards,
On sin He sends a blight,
The clean and pure of heart
Are His supreme delight.

This uncreated God,
Of man, is Father, Friend;
The heavens, earth and seas
He made from end to end.
He is the King of kings,
Of lords the highest Lord,
By all that has life's breath
He is to be adored.

To love Him we must do
True service for mankind,
For thus, a paradise
On earth we all shall find.
In His most loving hands
Our souls in faith we place,
In life and death we trust
His justice and His grace.

—J. Leonard Levy.

GLORIFICATION.

Rabbi:

Thou art, O God, our praise and our song; Thou hast been our salvation. Thou art our Lord and we glorify Thee, our fathers' God and we extol Thee. The whole world is beautiful because Thy spirit breathes through it. Heaven and earth are full of loveliness because Thine was the hand which formed them. All Thy works may lose their beauty and pass away, but Thou wilt abide. Seedtime and harvest, heat and cold, summer's wealth of perfumed roses and winter's spotless snows, all may disappear, but Thou wilt be forever. Tides may cease to ebb and flow, the unnumbered worlds may cease to move in rythmic galaxies, the glowing orb that floods the earth with golden sunshine and the pale calm light that brightens the darkness of the night, all may fade and be forgotten as a tale that is told, but Thou wilt exist beyond the crash of doom and stand beyond the last days. The universe proclaims Thee a bounteous protector and we, Thy children, whom Thou hast illumined with a ray of Thy divinity, bend the knee before Thy awe-inspiring greatness and prostrate ourselves before Thy benignant love. Trusting in Thee and with faith in Thy never-ending mercy, we pray:

(*Rabbi and Congregation read this Petition together.*)

Our God, who art in heaven, may the unity of Thy name be proclaimed throughout the world. May the kingdom of righteousness be speedily established on earth. May we accept whatsoever Thou sendest us, saying: This is from the Lord: let Him do what seemeth Him right. Remove our sins far from us and forgive us according to Thy loving-kindness. Help us to be pure of heart and clean of hands. May we deal with our fellowmen as Thou, God, dealest with us, doing justice, loving mercy, seeking equity. May we always bear ourselves as though we felt that Thou God dost see us. May we add to the good in the world and strive to overcome the evil. Grant us sustenance for soul and body and cause the work of our hands to prosper. We humbly pray Thee to be with us in all the ways we go, and may we sanctify Thy name in life and death through the words of our holy teacher, "Hear, O Israel, the Eternal is our God, the Eternal is One."

(*Choral Response.*)

שמע ישראל יהוה אלהינו יהוה אחד.

(*Deut. vi., 4.*)

OLD TESTAMENT READINGS.

(*For Rabbi, Congregation and Choir respectively.*)

RATIONAL BELIEF.

Rabbi:

There shall not be found among thee
One who useth divination;

CONGREGATION:

Or an enchanter, or a charmer, or a wizard,
Or a consulter with familiar spirits;

Choir:

For an abomination unto the Lord
Are all that do these things.

Turn ye not unto idols,
Nor make yourselves molten gods.

Eyes have they, but they see not;
Ears have they, but they hear not;

They that make them are like unto them,
So is every one that trusteth in them.

They have no knowledge, that set up images
And pray unto a God that cannot save.

Put away the strange gods,
That are among you, and be clean.

Prepare your hearts unto the Lord
And serve Him only.

How long halt ye between two opinions?
If God be Lord follow Him; if Baal, follow him.

Ye shall not go after other gods,
Of the gods of the people round about you.

There is none like unto Thee, O Lord,
Thou art great and Thy name is great in might.

Because they regard not the works of the Lord,
He shall destroy them and not build them up.

God's law is certain, refreshing the soul;
God's testimony is sure, making wise the simple.

The righteous Lord loveth righteousness
His countenance doth behold the upright.

PRAYER.

Rabbi:

Thou who didst make man in Thy image, who didst place within him the light of reason! We bless Thee for Thy gracious gift and extol Thee for all the precious boons conferred upon us. Before Thee nations are but as a drop from a bucket and even the greatest are vanity and less than nothing. But since we are quickened by Thy breath and illumined by the rays of divine reason, we may aspire after the things that are eternal and grow in moral strength unto the stature of those worthy to be called Thy children.

Not in vain have we trusted Thee. Thou hast brought us out of the land of spiritual bondage and directed our footsteps toward the promised land of truth. The bitter waters of persecution for truth's sake hast Thou sweetened by Thy promises and the fiery serpents of bigotry and fanaticism are gradually disappearing from our path. The wilderness of superstition is being converted into a land where the fragrant flowers of reason may bloom in the golden light of knowledge and the bounteous harvests of rational faith may grow in the glowing sunshine of progressive thought. In the days of mankind's moral and spiritual gloom Thou hast ever set before us a pillar of light; and in the days of mankind's greatest brightness Thou hast appointed a pillar of cloud, to remind us of the impenetrable difficulties by which we are surrounded, that we might confide in Thee where human vision fails, and trust ourselves in Thy keeping. Thou hast given to our souls the heavenly manna of divine hope and supplied all our bodily needs with food provided by Thy bounty.

May Thy light so shine that the dark places of the earth be brightened by a knowledge of Thee. May men, the whole world over, turn toward the light of the dawning day. May truth prove more attractive than tradition. May all of us guage our beliefs by the standard of constantly unfolding

knowledge. May we cast out all superstition. May we detest ignorance and abominate bigotry. May we strive to discover Thy laws, which run hither and thither in the universe and may we square our lives with the truths proclaimed by the mouths of the holy and saintly teachers of mankind.

Grant, O God, that we may fully understand that Thou art best worshipped by those who follow the dictates of conscience rather than the appeals of convenience, for Thou, O God, desirest truth more than fashion and reason more than credulity. Give us eyes to see that mercy is more than sacrifice, sincerity more than form, uprightness more than ceremony, justice more than custom, right more than rite. Let not our respect for what our fathers held dear blind us to our duty of acquiring more light and broader views of truth. Let the time fast approach when intelligence shall rule where ignorance now reigns, when love shall control where hatred now prevails, when righteousness shall be exalted where injustice now dominates. May the day soon be here when all men, bound by a rational faith, may glorify Thy sanctity in the words of Israel's seer:

Holy, Holy, Holy is the Lord of hosts, the whole world is full of His glory. Amen.

(*Choral Response.*)

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(*Isaiah vi., 3.*)

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FOR THE BEREAVED.

(*See page 15.*)

ANTHEM.

LECTURE.

THE DAY OF GOD.

(*To be sung by Choir and Congregation.*)

Lo! the day of God is breaking;
Light is in the sky!
See the world to life awaking;
Morning draweth nigh!

Now the powers of wrong and darkness
Lose their stolen crown;
And the hosts of superstition
We are treading down.

Ancient forms of woe and error
Flee before the light;
And the cruel creeds of terror
Vanish with the night.

God will give us songs for sadness,
Wipe our tears away;
Turn our mourning into gladness,
And our night to day.

—C. G. Ames.

BENEDICTION.

SERVICE XXII.

PROEM.

Rabbi:

LORD, God, whom the heavens and heaven of heavens cannot contain, but who deignest to dwell in our hearts, look down upon us who are assembled in Thy honor, to offer before Thee the incense of our praise and the sacrifice of our prayer. Grant us this day eyes to see the truth and hearts to willingly follow it. Inspire us with the joy of Thy presence and let us feel that our service is acceptable in Thy sight. May all we say be to Thy glory and may all we do lead to our improvement and uplifting. May our worship of Thee help us to walk in purity, uprightness and truth, all our days. Amen.

KEEP ME EVER.

(*To be sung by Choir and Congregation.*)

Holy Father, Thou hast taught me,
I should live to Thee alone;
Year by year Thy hand has brought me
On through dangers oft unknown.
When I wandered, Thou hast found me;
When I doubted, sent me light;
Still Thine arm has been around me,
All my paths were in Thy sight.

In the world will foes assail me,
Craftier, stronger far than I;
And the strife may never fail me,
Well I know, before I die.
Therefore, Lord, I come believing
Thou canst give the power I need;
Through the prayer of faith receiving
Strength—the spirit's strength, indeed.

I would trust in Thy protection,
Wholly rest upon Thine arm;
Follow wholly Thy direction,
Thou, mine only guard from harm!
Keep me from mine own undoing,
Help me turn to Thee when tried,
Still my footsteps, Father, viewing,
Keep me ever at Thy side.

—J. M. Neale.

GLORIFICATION.

Rabbi:

Thou, O God, art all goodness, supreme are Thy power and wisdom. Without end is Thy love and as is Thy love so is Thy merciful pity. Thy glory fills heaven and earth with its majesty. Thou art great and greatly to be praised, for though Thou art the mighty and awe-inspiring God, Thy hand is stretched out lovingly in forgiveness and Thy everlasting arms are held out to receive all who turn to Thee in sorrow for their misdeeds. As

the cloud is blotted out by the refulgent rays of the glowing sun, so dost Thou wipe away all trace of our errors, if, truly repentant, we seek Thee and strive to keep far from the ways of guilt. Though our sins be as scarlet they become white as snow, though they be red as crimson they become white as wool, by Thy gracious forgiveness. Thou knowest our frame and rememberest that we are but dust. Thou showest pity for our failings and infirmities; Thou lovingly forgivest our open and hidden faults. We adore Thy holiness which makes sin productive of fearful consequences, but we worship Thy love that pardons the sinner and opens to him the way of peace. Therefore we lift our voices to Thee in humble prayer. Therefore we ask Thy favorable answer to the petition we bring before Thee, saying:

(*Rabbi and Congregation read this Petition together.*)

Our God, who art in heaven, may the unity of Thy name be proclaimed throughout the world. May the kingdom of righteousness be speedily established on earth. May we accept whatsoever Thou sendest us, saying: This is from the Lord; let Him do what seemeth Him right. Remove our sins far from us and forgive us according to Thy loving-kindness. Help us to be pure of heart and clean of hands. May we deal with our fellowmen

as Thou, God, dealest with us, doing justice, loving mercy, seeking equity. May we always bear ourselves as though we felt that Thou God dost see us. May we add to the good in the world and strive to overcome the evil. Grant us sustenance for soul and body and cause the work of our hands to prosper. We humbly pray Thee to be with us in all the ways we go, and may we sanctify Thy name in life and death through the words of our holy teacher, "Hear, O Israel, the Eternal is our God, the Eternal is One."

(*Choral Response.*)

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(*Deut. vi., 4.*)

OLD TESTAMENT READINGS.

(*For Rabbi, Congregation and Choir respectively.*)

SIN AND FORGIVENESS.

Rabbi:

The thought of foolishness is sin:
The scorner is an abomination to men.

CONGREGATION:

A high look, and a proud heart,
And the plowing of the wicked, is sin.

Choir:

By mercy and truth iniquity is purged,
By reverence for God men depart from evil.

If the wicked restore the pledge,
Give back that which he had robbed,

Walk in the statutes of life,
Without committing iniquity,

He shall surely live,
He shall not die.

There is not a just man on earth
That doeth good and sinneth not.

Turn ye, turn ye from your evil ways,
For why will ye die?

He that covereth his sins shall not prosper;
Whoso forsaketh them shall have mercy.

Let the wicked forsake his way,
And the unrighteous man his thoughts;

Let him return unto the Lord
And he will have mercy,

And (let him return) to our God,
For He will abundantly pardon.

The Lord, the eternal God, is merciful,
Longsufferng, abundant in goodness and truth,

Keeping mercy for thousands,
Forgiving iniquity and transgression and sin.

Though your sins be as scarlet
They shall be as white as snow.

PRAYER.

Rabbi:

Gracious and long-suffering Father! Thou seest the inward prompting of every heart. Before Thy all-discerning eyes, our thoughts are clear and our deeds are known. Thou art unsearchable, but Thou searchest out the secret imaginations of man and Thou knowest the motives that move all thy creatures to action. We are sinful, weak, erring. Thou art strong, righteous and forgiving. Thy mercy anticipates Thy justice.

We pray Thee, O God, to help us to freely confess our faults and to enable us to cast them aside as we would hurl away a filthy insect. May we see sin in all its naked ugliness and horrifying repulsiveness. Thy law is written athwart the universe and has been revealed to us by the teachers of men. We recognize its beauty; we realize its sanctity. But our wills are infirm and our purposes weak. We fall away from the high standard of duty imposed upon us and ignore Thy loving dictates which reason and conscience acknowledge as imperative and obligatory. We sin with our lips; we err in our thoughts; we commit misdeeds with our hands.

But as a father pities his child, so, O Lord, hast Thou pity upon us. Thou delightest not in

the moral death of the sinner, but rather that he should repent and live. Grant us Thy help that we may ask pardon of those we have wronged and thus receive Thy forgiving grace. Give us the power to understand Thy eternal laws, and understanding them, may we have the wisdom to follow them. May we realize that upon sin there can never be blessing and that, although, in Thy mercy, Thou wilt forgive the sinner, yet Thy justice will not suffer the evil results of sin to be effaced until they have become destroyed by annihilating themselves. May we know Thee and love Thee and thus become ashamed to offend Thee by ignoring Thy laws, which, whenever outraged, break us, for they are unbreakable.

Help us, O Lord, to live in peace with Thee, with all men and with ourselves. Teach us that we sin against Thee when we deal falsely with Thy children. May our deeds be marked by justice and our actions inspired by equity. May we grow more loving, more honest, more upright, more thoughtful, each day. May we strive to root out prejudices and break down barriers and cast aside our narrow dislikes, patterning our lives after Thy law, which deals equitably by all men. May our tongues give expression to the law of kindness and may we speak the truth at all times. May we realize that we do

not love Thee, unless we manifest love towards Thy children, the sons of men. May we anticipate the pardon we implore of Thee, by extending forgiveness to those who offend us. May all our efforts be in the direction of holiness, and may we praise Thee by our lives which, we pray, may become a joyous refrain, set to the words uttered by the ancient seer:

Holy, Holy, Holy is the Lord of hosts, the whole world is full of His glory. Amen.

(*Choral Response.*)

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FOR THE BEREAVED.

(*See page 15.*)

ANTHEM.

LECTURE.

RETURN!

(*To be sung by Choir and Congregation.*)

Brother, hast thou wandered far
From thy Father's happy home,
With thyself and God at war?
Turn thee, brother: homeward come.

Hast thou wasted all the powers
God for noble uses gave?
Squandered life's most golden hours?
Turn thee, brother: God can save.

Is a mighty famine now
In thy heart and in thy soul?
Discontent upon thy brow?
Turn thee: God will make thee whole.

Fall before Him on the ground,
Pour thy sorrow in His ear,
Seek Him while He may be found,
Call upon Him,—He is near.

—J. F. Clarke.

BENEDICTION.

SERVICE XXIII.

PROEM.

Rabbi:

MAKER of heaven and earth, who turnest the thick darkness of the night into the bright light of day, we appear before Thee at Thy shrine to ask Thy blessing on all our undertakings and to lift our souls to Thee by meditating on Thy laws. May Thy presence illumine our minds and Thy love inspire our hearts as we ponder on Thy mercy and Thy justice. Shew us Thy ways, O God, teach us Thy paths. Lead us in Thy truth and teach us, for Thou art the God of our salvation; on Thee do we wait all the day. Grant us the joy of Thy saving grace and uphold us with Thy free spirit. O God of Israel, Thou givest strength and power unto Thy people; blessed be Thy holy name, forever and forever. Amen.

THE DIVINE PROVIDENCE.

(*To be sung by Choir and Congregation.*)

Through all the various shifting scene
Of life's mistaken ill or good,
Thy hand, O God, conducts unseen
The beautiful vicissitude.

Thou givest with a Father's care,
Howe'er unjustly we complain,
To each his necessary share
Of joy and sorrow, health and pain.

All things on earth, and all in heaven,
On Thy eternal will depend;
And all for greater good were given,
Would man pursue the appointed end.

Be this my care; to all beside
Indifferent let my wishes be;
Passion be calm, and dumb be pride,
And fixed my soul, great God, on Thee!

—S. Collett.

GLORIFICATION.

Rabbi:

Almighty God, were our words of thanks as far beyond number as the green buds that peep on the bushes in the spring season; were our hymns of praise as countless as the new blades of grass that crown the earth with a verdant diadem; were our songs of gratitude as numberless as the many-hued flowers which add indescribable charm to the beauty of the world; they would still be but a feeble expression of the glowing gratitude we feel for all Thy goodness to us, and an insufficient tribute to Thy unspeakable glory. Thou sendest sleep to the earth in the winter and coverest it with

the unblemished mantle of spotless snow. Death seems to conquer and before its icy breath the vegetable world appears to wither and die. But anon, the gleaming sun regains its warmth and, through its light and heat, Thou kissest into life the sleeping energies of the earth. Soon, on every side, shall we witness the marvel of nature's resurrection. Soon will there be made manifest to us the glories of the divine power pulsating on hillside and valley, throbbing on mountain and plain. Soon will the sweet smelling garlands of spring offer incense to Thee, and the melodious songs of the birds chant to Thee, hallelujah choruses. We, too, join in the universal tribute borne to Thee by the heavens, earth and seas. We glorify Thee and extol Thy holy name. We also prostrate ourselves before Thee and pray:

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Our God, who art in heaven, may the unity of Thy name be proclaimed throughout the world. May the kingdom of righteousness be speedily established on earth. May we accept whatsoever Thou sendest us, saying: This is from the Lord; let Him do what seemeth Him right. Remove our sins far from us and forgive us according to Thy loving-kindness. Help us to be pure of heart and clean of hands. May we deal with our fellowmen

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(*Choral Response.*)

שמע ישראל יהוה אלהינו יהוה אחד.

(*Deut. vi., 4.*)

OLD TESTAMENT READINGS.

(*For Rabbi, Congregation and Choir respectively.*)

RETRIBUTION.

Rabbi:

He that soweth iniquity, shall reap vanity.
Be sure your sin will find you out.

CONGREGATION:

They have sown the wind,
And they shall reap the whirlwind.

Choir:

Evil pursueth sinners;
But to the righteous, good shall be repaid.

I will judge you, every one
According to his ways, saith the Lord God.

Great in counsel, O God, and mighty in work,
Thine eyes are open upon all the ways of men;

To give every one according to his ways,
And according to the fruit of his doings.

The righteousness of the righteous
Shall be upon himself;

The wickedness of the wicked
Shall be upon himself.

The Lord will reward the doer of evil,
According to his wickedness.

The curse of the Lord is in the house of wicked,
And He blesseth the habitation of the just.

The righteous shall be recompensed on earth,
How much more the wicked and the sinner.

God shall bring every work into judgment,
Whether it be good or whether it be evil.

To him that soweth righteousness
Shall be a sure reward.

Surely God will not do wickedly,
Neither will the Almighty prevent judgment.

If thou seek Him, He will be found of thee;
If thou forsake Him, He will cast thee off.

PRAYER.

Rabbi:

Lord of all, Thou hast made man's mouth; Thou makest the dumb and the deaf, the seeing and the blind. Thou hast given us eyes to see Thy handiwork, ears to hear the music of Thy eternal laws and a mouth to sing Thy praises and to utter words of truth and mercy and justice. Our feet wherewith we may haste to follow Thy bidding, our hands which may be consecrated by doing worthy deeds, and our bodies which may be built into temples fit for the indwelling of Thy holy spirit, our minds which may be brightened by the light of knowledge and our hearts which may be attuned to Thee in love, all are Thy precious gifts to us. We pray Thee, O God, that, out of Thy bountiful goodness, Thou wilt continue to bestow on us proofs of Thy fatherly affection, and make us to understand Thy will more completely and ever more clearly.

Grant us an understanding mind, O God. May we see that Thy laws are everlasting and unchanging. May we fully realize that between cause and effect there is always a perfect balance. May we always remember that we reap what we sow. If we do justice, we shall enjoy the fruits of justice; if we do injustice we open up a way for still greater

injustice to be done. Thy prophet has warned us that they who sow wind shall reap the whirlwind and such is the nature of Thy laws that wrong-doing leads to still greater wrong-doing and evil produces untold harvests of greater evil. Teach us, O God, to open our eyes to see that the reward of righteousness is the power to ever do more righteous deeds, whilst the reward of sin is moral death to the sinner and ever greatening affliction and evil to others. For sin is the blind Samson which not only pulls down the temple of a pure conscience, but destroys the evil-doer and afflicts wrongs on all it affects. There is nothing lost in the realms of nature and there is nothing consigned to annihilation in human nature. The principle of retribution is supreme. If the good we do continues to multiply itself, so, too, does the evil. Thou art Justice supreme. Thine eye searches the hidden chambers of the heart, the secret recesses of the mind and the open and concealed actions of the hand, and Thou rewardest every man according to his ways and according to the fruit of his deeds. Before the tribunal of Thy unfailing and unerring Justice there is no respect for persons and Thou takest no bribe, O God of Righteousness.

Inspire us to heed Thy divine behests. May we never be guilty of calling evil good, or good evil;

of putting darkness for light or light for darkness; of putting bitter for sweet or sweet for bitter. Help us to be upright in all our ways, just in all our dealings, equitable in all our undertakings. Save us from the remorse of an offended conscience. May we sow seeds of benevolence and holiness and may we not repay wrong by wrong nor evil by evil. Destroy all untruthfulness and root out all dishonesty. Remove from us every revengeful desire and every vindictive feeling. Make it clear before our oft-clouded vision that Thou wilt never justify the wicked nor make sin to appear as though it were righteousness. Fill us with reverence for Thy laws. Bind us together in peace and love.

Send Thy blessing on all houses of worship in this and in every community throughout our country. Bless this great land, consecrated to the spirit of equal rights and equal laws. May liberty be cherished as our highest political privilege. Bless the President of the United States and all who are associated with him in the administration of the public affairs of this nation. Send Thy blessing upon our State and all its officers. Grant prosperity to this city and make its industries to flourish. Keep its homes pure and its citizens faithful to their duties. And in the minds of all let Thy light so shine, that soon a united brotherhood of men may

announce Thy sanctity in the words of the pious prophet:

Holy, Holy, Holy, is the Lord of hosts, the whole world is full of His glory. Amen.

(*Choral Response.*)

קדוש קדוש קדוש יהוה צבאות מלא כל הארץ כבודו.

(*Isaiah vi., 3.*)

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FOR THE BEREAVED.

(*See page 15.*)

ANTHEM.

LECTURE.

SOWING AND REAPING.

(*To be sung by Choir and Congregation.*)

The bounteous earth, by God's eternal will,
The sons of man will bless the year around,
If, carefully, the fallow soil they till,
And scatter seed in well prepared ground.

But if the choking weeds spread o'er the field,
And stones usurp the place of fruitful seed;
No harvests, rich and vast, that land can yield,
No golden grain supply the world's great need.

Man reaps the harvest of the seed he sows;
God's changeless laws for none will ever cease;
Of sin and wrong, destructive evil grows;
Of righteousness, the goodly fruit is peace.

O God most holy, just in all Thy ways,
May we, with diligence, Thy laws rehearse!
Help us to sow such seed through all our days
That we may garner blessing, never curse.

—J. Leonard Levy.

BENEDICTION.

SERVICE XXIV.

PROEM.

Rabbi:

FATHER, we come to Thee, believing that we may here find truth and peace. Meditating on Thy attributes we see how small is our worth. In Thy presence we realize that we are as nought. Our offended sense of right chides us when we think of Thee; our souls appear shrivelled and contracted when we ponder on Thy love. So great art Thou; so petty are we! Pour out Thy holy spirit on us in this hour of prayer; make it a wholesome time for us. May we here receive those influences that will make us better. May we be uplifted by serving Thee. May we carry hence, into the scenes of our active, busy life, the fragrance of piety and purity. May our deeds ever be proofs of our acknowledgment of Thy holiness and love. Amen.

THROUGH PEACE TO LIGHT.

(*To be sung by Choir and Congregation.*)

I do not ask, O Lord, that life may be
A pleasant road;
I do not ask that Thou wouldst take from me
Aught of its load.

I do not ask that flowers should always spring
Beneath my feet:
I know too well the poison and the sting
Of things too sweet.

For one thing only, Lord, my God, I plead
Lead me aright,—
Though strength should falter and though heart should bleed,
Through peace to light.

I do not ask the end to understand
My way to see;
Better in darkness just to feel Thy hand
And follow Thee.

Joy is like restless day; but peace divine
Like quiet night.
Lead me, O Lord, till perfect day shall shine,
Through peace to light.

—A. A. Procter.

GLORIFICATION.

Rabbi:

Our tongues lack the power of glorifying Thee, O God, for the myriads of blessings, which Thou hast showered upon us. When we begin to think of Thy beneficence, we cannot sum it up; it is more than we can tell. Thou hast brought us into the light of the growing day of liberty. Thou hast provided for our wants with a lavish hand. Thou hast nourished us with food, which has ripened through

Thy bounty. Thou hast delivered us from the sword, saved us from pestilence and permitted us to escape the ravages of disease. Hitherto Thy tender mercies have supported us and Thy kindness has never forsaken us. Therefore the soul which Thou hast breathed into us and the tongues which Thou hast placed with our mouths worship and bless, glorify and extol Thee, our Father and our King. The universe is Thy temple; earth is Thy altar, and we, Thy worshippers, join in creation's song of glorification to the honor of Thy holy name. In our joys we praise Thee; in our sorrow we bless Thee. We acknowledge Thee a God of Righteousness, the rock and defense of all who trust in Thee. We also ask Thee to hear our voice as we place our petitions before Thee. Hear us and answer us, Thou God of our salvation, as we humbly pray:

(*Rabbi and Congregation read this Petition together.*)

Our God, who art in heaven, may the unity of Thy name be proclaimed throughout the world. May the kingdom of righteousness be speedily established on earth. May we accept whatsoever Thou sendest us, saying: This is from the Lord; let Him do what seemeth Him right. Remove our sins far from us and forgive us according to Thy loving-kindness. Help us to be pure of heart and clean of hands. May we deal with our fellowmen

as Thou, God, dealest with us, doing justice, loving mercy, seeking equity. May we always bear ourselves as though we felt that Thou God dost see us. May we add to the good in the world and strive to overcome the evil. Grant us sustenance for soul and body and cause the work of our hands to prosper. We humbly pray Thee to be with us in all the ways we go, and may we sanctify Thy name in life and death through the words of our holy teacher, "Hear, O Israel, the Eternal is our God, the the Eternal is One."

(*Choral Response.*)

שמע ישראל יהוה אלהינו יהוה אחד.

(*Deut. vi., 4.*)

OLD TESTAMENT READINGS.

(*For Rabbi, Congregation and Choir respectively.*)

COMFORT IN AFFLICTION.

Rabbi:

It is good for a man
That he bear the yoke in his youth.

CONGREGATION:

It is good that he should both hope
And quietly wait for the salvation of the Lord.

Choir:

For God doth not afflict willingly
Nor grieve the children of men.

Many are the afflictions of the righteous;
But the Lord delivereth him out of them all.

When my father and my mother forsake me,
Then the Lord will take me up.

Why art thou cast down, O my soul?
Why art thou disquieted? Hope thou in God.

My son, despise not the chastening of the Lord,
Neither be weary of His correction;

For whom the Lord loveth He correcteth,
Even as a father, the son in whom he delighteth.

Happy is the man whom God correcteth;
Therefore despise not the chastening of the Almighty.

The refining pot is for silver, the fire for gold
But the Lord trieth the heart.

Affliction cometh not forth from the dust,
Neither doth trouble spring out of the ground.

Sorrow is better than laughter,
For by sadness the heart is made better.

When thou art in tribulation,
And thou turn to the Lord thy God:

He will not forsake thee,
Nor forget the covenant of thy fathers.

Cast thy burden on the Lord
And He shall sustain thee.

PRAYER.

Rabbi:

Out of the depths we cry unto Thee, O Lord, hear Thou the voice of our prayer. All that Thou hast fashioned is good, the light and the dark, the sunshine and the cloud, the high, heaven-piercing mountains of success and the lowly, depressed valleys of failure. Life is joyous, but about its sweetest melodies there is a tone of sadness, for, into the paths of even the happiest shadows come, and on the bushes, where grow the most fragrant roses, thorns crowd thick.

O God, Thou art our refuge, our ever-present help in the hour of trouble. To whom can we turn amid the cares and trials, the burdens and difficulties of life, but to Thee, who lovest us with a father's devotion and with a mother's tenderness? To whom can we lift the upturned eye glistening with pearly tears of sorrow, but to Thee who art ready to listen and to change the shadow of mourning into the brightness of rejoicing? Help us to trust Thee in the darkness, as in the light. Aid us to place our faith in Thee in the hour of grief, as in the time of joy. Grant us the blessing of complete surrender to Thy holy will.

In the day of sickness be Thou our physician; in the hour of defeat, be Thou our shield. When

failure seizes us in its gaunt and pitiless grasp, be Thou our support. When discouraged, be Thou our helper. When the sea of life is rough; when all its billows pass over us; when our fondest and most cherished hopes sink into the troughs of despondency; when storms lash our frail bark and beat us hither and thither; when the cruel winds of deceit drive us on the sunken rocks of despair; be Thou nigh to us, O God, help us to look to Thee, to place our hand on Thee, our stay and our staff! Oft do our hearts bleed in bitter sorrow. Oft do the sighs of unutterable grief rend our bosoms. Oft do we suffer pangs and disappointments, to which we may give no expression. Our trusted friends prove perfidious; our children wound us; our weak wills cry out against us; our offended conscience reproves us. Our way is often amid the cypress and the yew-tree, bordered with mourning emblems. Our hopes and our loves, our friends and our darlings are called to sleep the sleep that knows no awakening on earth and we sigh for the touch of the vanished hand and we long for the sound of the voice that is still.

Father of mercy, grant us Thy light to see the mission that sorrow fulfils. Let us understand that Thou sendest it to wean us from the world and to prepare us to be worthy of Thee. Grant that we

find comfort in our affliction by trusting Thee. In our tears and darkness, in our distress and misfortune, lift up our eyes to Thee. Stay our hearts with Thy divine comfort and hold to our lips the cup of Thy consolation. Grant unto us childlike faith in Thee. May we never doubt Thy good intentions toward us. May we always bless Thee, for the evil as well as for the good, for Thou art a God at hand and not a God afar off. May we be assured that they who sow in tears will reap in joy, that though weeping may endure for a night, joy will come with the morning. In all the experiences of life, be they joyous or be they sorrowful, be they of happy realization or of crushing disappointment, may we ever be able to sanctify Thy holy name, repeating the words of the prophet:

Holy, Holy, Holy, is the Lord of hosts, the whole world is full of His glory. Amen.

(Choral Response.)

קדוש קדוש קדוש יהוה צבאות מלא כל הארץ כבודו.

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FOR THE BEREAVED.

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ANTHEM.

LECTURE.

TRUST THE DIVINE LOVE.

(*To be sung by Choir and Congregation.*)

My God! I thank Thee: may no thought
E'er deem Thy chastisements severe;
But may this heart, by sorrow taught,
Calm each wild wish, each idle fear.

Thy mercy bids all nature bloom;
The sun shines bright, and man is gay;
Thine equal mercy spreads the gloom
That darkens o'er his little day.

Full many a throb of grief and pain
Thy frail and erring child must know;
But not one prayer is breathed in vain,
Nor does one tear unheeded flow.

Thy various messengers employ!
Thy purposes of love fulfil!
And mid the wreck of human joy,
May kneeling faith adore Thy will!

—A. Norton.

BENEDICTION.

SERVICE XXV.

PROEM.

Rabbi:

OUR God, we have both laid us down and slept, we have awakened because Thou hast preserved us. We open the day with thoughts of Thee and come into Thy presence with our tribute of grateful thanks. Grant, O Lord, that we may take with us hence the uplifting influence of our service of Thee. May we make manifest Thy spirit within us, by the character of our lives. Help us so to live that our holy faith may be reverenced of men. Inspire all that is good and true in us to be deepened and strengthened by our worship. May we ever delight to do Thy will and may Thy law be inscribed on the tablets of our hearts. May we rejoice and be glad in Thee and through us, who seek Thy salvation, may all men be led to say, The Lord be glorified forever and forever. Amen.

LIVING UNTO THEE!

(*To be sung by Choir and Congregation.*)

God of the living, in whose eyes
Unveiled Thy whole creation lies,
All souls are Thine; we must not say
That those are dead who pass away:
From this our world of flesh set free,
We know them living unto Thee.

Released from earthly toil and strife,
With Thee is hidden still their life;
Thine are their thoughts, their works, their powers,
All Thine, and yet most truly ours:
For well we know, whate'er they be,
Our dead are living unto Thee.

Not spilt like water on the ground,
Not wrapped in dreamless sleep profound,
Not wandering in unknown despair
Beyond Thy voice, Thine arm, Thy care,
Not left to lie like fallen tree:
Not dead, but living unto Thee.

O Breather into man of breath,
O Holder of the keys of death,
O Quickener of the life within,
Save us from death, the death of sin,
That body, soul, and spirit be
Forever living unto Thee.

—J. Allerton.

GLORIFICATION.

Rabbi:

Lord God of all, Thou alone abidest in eternity. Thy name is holy and Thou art exalted above the praises of Israel. Thou art a God of truth. Tenderness and righteousness are woven about Thee as a garment clings to our body. Thou art our strength and our Redeemer and though we cannot understand Thee, though even the tongues of the inspired

can but lisp Thy greatness in feeble numbers, yet we trust Thee, for Thy love is great like the mighty mountains, and we confide in Thee for Thy mercy is like the never-failing streams. Although the fruit trees should not blossom and the vines fail to produce their luscious clusters; although the flowers should not bloom and the fields should not yield their increase; although sorrows should weave their sable pall about us and our path be covered with bruising rocks; though trials make our hearts to bleed and affliction cause the tears to stream from our weeping eyes; yet will we rejoice in Thee, O Lord, and joy in Thee, the God of our salvation. We commit ourselves to Thy keeping with unshaken faith and with unquestioning confidence. We address to Thee our prayers, believing that Thou wilt answer us. Hear the voice of our supplication as we humbly pray Thee:

(*Rabbi and Congregation read this Petition together.*)

Our God, who art in heaven, may the unity of Thy name be proclaimed throughout the world. May the kingdom of righteousness be speedily established on earth. May we accept whatsoever Thou sendest us, saying: This is from the Lord; let Him do what seemeth Him right. Remove our sins far from us and forgive us according to Thy loving-kindness. Help us to be pure of heart and

clean of hands. May we deal with our fellowmen as Thou, God, dealest with us, doing justice, loving mercy, seeking equity. May we always bear ourselves as though we felt that Thou God dost see us. May we add to the good in the world and strive to overcome the evil. Grant us sustenance for soul and body and cause the work of our hands to prosper. We humbly pray Thee to be with us in all the ways we go, and may we sanctify Thy name in life and death through the words of our holy teacher, "Hear, O Israel, the Eternal is our God, the Eternal is One."

(Choral Response.)

שמע ישראל יהוה אלהינו יהוה אחד.

(Deut. vi., 4.)

OLD TESTAMENT READINGS.

(For Rabbi, Congregation and Choir respectively.)

DEATH AND IMMORTALITY.

Rabbi:

Man, that is born of woman,
Is of few days and full of trouble.

CONGREGATION:

His days are swifter than a weaver's shuttle,
They flee away like swift ships.

Choir:

Man is but of yesterday and he knoweth nothing;
His days on earth are but a shadow.

Though I walk through the valley of the shadow
Of death, I fear no evil; for Thou art with me:

Thy rod and thy staff, they comfort me.
Blessed are they that put their trust in God.

The body returns to the dust as it was,
The spirit returns to God who gave it.

I know that my Redeemer liveth,
And He shall exist till the end of days;

Though after my death worms destroy my body,
When I am out of my flesh I shall see God.

As for me, I shall behold Thy face in righteousness,
I shall be satisfied to awaken in thy likeness.

Thy sun shall no more set,
Neither shall thy moon withdraw itself:

For the Lord shall be an everlasting light
And the days of thy mourning shall be ended.

Death shall be swallowed up in eternity,
And God shall wipe away tears from off all faces.

A good name is better than precious perfume,
The memory of the righteous is a blessing.

Let me die the death of the righteous,
And let my last end be like his.

The Lord giveth and the Lord taketh away;
Blessed forever be the name of the Lord.

PRAYER.

Rabbi:

Almighty and most merciful Father, we pray Thee that out of Thy great goodness Thou wilt help us to remember our mortality. We are dust and we return to dust. However prosperous or distressing be our span of life, however much it be garlanded with glowing emblems of glory or wreathed with sombre draperies of sorrow, do Thou aid us to be mindful of the end. In Thy mercy Thou hast created death, blessed be Thy holy name. Peace and beatitude it brings to those who have been clasped in its chill embrace. Healing and undisturbed repose it assures to those upon whose troubled brow it has left the imprint of immortality. O Lord have pity on us in the hour of our trials. As for the loved ones they are safe in Thy keeping. But it is so hard for us to place them where human eye shall no more be rejoiced by their presence, where human ear shall no more be charmed by the sweet music of their voice. In our distress we cry unto Thee and pray Thee, our Father, to be our comforter and helper. Teach us to trust Thee in the darkness, as in the light; to hope in Thee in adversity as we rejoice in Thee in prosperity; to never doubt Thee in our griefs any more than we question Thee in our joys. In our bereavement be

Thou our enlargement; in our afflictions be Thou our supreme delight. Whatever we may lose, whatever Thou seest fit to take from us, of whatsoever possession we be deprived, O God, let us not lose our faith in Thee, take not away from us the sense of Thy fatherly goodness, deprive us not of the hope that Thou wilt provide the remedy for every ill and the cure for every disease.

Father we thank Thee for the faith within us that as it is not all of life to live, so it is not the whole of death to die. We thank Thee for the hope that when the golden bowl of life is broken Thou wilt make it whole again. We praise Thee for the rational thought that when the pitcher of human existence is shattered at the fountain of death, Thou wilt, in Thine own way, and time, restore it to a yet more glorious form. We bend low in our worship of Thee for the trust that when the silver cord of earthly life is loosed and its precious jewels are unstrung and scattered, Thou wilt gather them yet again and reset them in a manner which eye has not seen and of which the mind of man can scarcely think. We yield Thee hearty thanks for the belief that as when our dear ones are, at birth, placed in our arms and we rock them into life in a little cradle, so, at death, our darlings are placed within another cradle, miscalled a coffin, and, on

the bosom of mother earth, are rocked into life eternal.

Help us, O God, so to live that we may deserve immortality on earth and when our days of nature are ended, we may enjoy a blessed immortality with Thee. May our life be a triumphant hymn of praise to the glory of Thy name. Everywhere, and at all times, may we so live that, by our deeds and words and thoughts, we worship Thee, that our whole existence here may be a grand sweet song whose inspiring theme shall be:

Holy, Holy, Holy, is the Lord of hosts, the whole world is full of His glory. Amen.

(Choral Response.)

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ANTHEM.

LECTURE.

HERE AND BEYOND.

(*To be sung by Choir and Congregation.*)

Like shadows gliding o'er the plain,
Or clouds that roll successive on,
Man's busy generations pass;
And while we gaze their forms are gone.

"He lived,—he died;" behold the sum,
The abstract, of the historian's page!
Alike in God's all-seeing eye
The infant's day, the patriarch's age.

O Father, in whose mighty hand
The boundless years and ages lie,
Teach us thy boon of life to prize,
And use the moments as they fly,—

To crowd the narrow span of life
With wise designs and virtuous deeds,
So shall we wake from death's dark night
To share the glory that succeeds.

—John Taylor

BENEDICTION.

SERVICE XXVI.

PROEM.

Rabbi:

O THOU who art the guardian and shield of all who trust in Thee, we lift up our eyes to Thee from whom comes our help. Aid us, O God, to seek Thee in the spirit of true prayer and humble faith, that we may ask of Thee only that which may make us holier and better and that we may be ready to accept whatever Thou sendest us without complaint and without rebellion against Thy will. Draw us after Thee. Make us to recognize the influence of Thy law. Send Thy blessing upon this hour and grant that we may leave this sanctuary bearing Thy word within our hearts, inspired to fulfil Thy behests. Amen.

NATURE'S TRIBUTE.

(*To be sung by Choir and Congregation.*)

Our God is good: in earth and sky
From ocean depths and spreading wood,
Ten thousand voices seem to cry,
"God made us all and God is good."

The sun that keeps his tractless way,
And downward pours his golden flood,
Night's sparkling hosts, all seem to say,
In accents clear, that God is good.

I hear it in the rushing breeze:
The hills that have for ages stood,
The echoing sky and roaring seas,
All swell the chorus, "God is good."

Yea, God is good, all nature says,
By God's own hand with speech endowed;
And man, in louder notes of praise,
Should sing for joy that God is good.

—E. Follen.

GLORIFICATION.

Rabbi:

Almighty God, Father of all men, the earth is Thine and the fulness thereof, the whole universe and all that it contains. Thy works praise Thee, for all which Thy hand has made declares Thy greatness and shews forth the marvels of Thy infinite power. Thou alone doest wondrous things and Thy name shall endure forever. Thou openest Thy hand and satisfiest the desire of every living thing. Daily are Thy mercies extended toward all that Thy will has called into being; each morning is Thy love renewed toward all Thy creatures. The universe is a manifestation of Thy greatness and goodness. Thou adornest the world with unspeakable beauty.

Thou hast made the sun to gird the earth with a warm garment of golden light and the moon and stars to brighten and spangle the dark cloak which envelopes the earth while Thy creatures rest. In every blade of grass, in very verdant leaf, in every budding tree, in the glistening drop of dew, in the rushing rivulet, in the broad-flowing river, in the ceaseless, restless ocean, we see marks of the glory of Thy majesty. Our minds are too feeble to encompass Thee; our words fail to express the faintest idea of Thy sublime essence. We therefore prostrate ourselves before Thee and seek to worship Thee in the beauty of holiness. We likewise pour out our souls before Thee in prayer and invoke Thy favorable acceptance of the petition we lay before Thee saying:

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(Choral Response.)

שמע ישראל יהוה אלהינו יהוה אחד.

(Deut. vi., 4.)

OLD TESTAMENT READINGS.

(For Rabbi, Congregation and Choir respectively.)

NATURE.

Rabbi:

The heavens declare the glory of God,
And the firmament sheweth His handiwork;

CONGREGATION:

Day unto day uttereth speech
And night unto night sheweth knowledge.

Choir:

Truth shall spring out of the earth,
Righteousness shall look down from heaven.

Lift up your eyes on high and behold
Who hath created these things.

Holy, holy, holy, is the Lord of hosts,
The whole earth is full of His glory.

Thus saith the Lord, the heaven is My throne
And the earth is My footstool.

O Lord how manifold are Thy works!
In wisdom hast Thou made them all.

Thou rulest the raging of the sea,
When the waves arise, Thou stillest them.

The earth is full of Thy bounty;
The works of the Lord are great.

He maketh the winds His messengers,
His ministers the flaming fire.

He sendeth the springs into the valleys,
They give drink to every beast of the field.

He appointed the moon for seasons;
The sun knoweth his going down.

They that go down to the sea in ships
See the works of the Lord and His wonders.

As for man, his days are as grass;
As a flower of the field, so he flourisheth;

The Lord hath prepared His throne in the heavens
And His kingdom ruleth over all.

PRAYER.

Rabbi:

Thou eternal God, by whose word the earth clothes itself in a mantle of green, and by whose will the trees cover themselves with their leafy garments, we ask Thee to help us to grow spiritually and morally, as we perceive growth in the vegetable world. Inspire us to adorn ourselves with the fragrant flowers of religion as the plants deck themselves with their gay and sweet-smelling blossoms. Enable us to bring forth abundant works of righteousness to the glory of Thy name, as the earth produces food for all Thy creatures. May we make the day glorious with golden deeds and the night bright with noble actions, as Thou dost illumine the day with sunshine and the night with the light of the glowing moon and throbbing stars.

All the realms of nature lead us to Thee. All that our eyes behold, all that appeals to our senses, are but the hem of the garments of Thy majesty. In all things great and small we see Thee and hear Thy voice saying, This is the gate which brings man to the Eternal, let the righteous walk therein. More and more may we strive to follow the path Thou hast laid for us. Grant that we may understand that the laws of the universe are rules which have emanated from Thy will. Nature is what it is be-

cause Thou hast so ordained, and as the world silently and unmurmuringly moves onward obedient to Thy law, so may we, whom Thou hast raised by the light of reason, live in harmony with Thy will, doing only what may be blessed of Thee.

How wonderful are Thy works, O God, all of them hast Thou fashioned in wisdom. As we ponder on the unchanging and unchangeable order of the universe, we are reminded of Thy justice; and as we think of the generous abundance with which the earth yields her increase and of the marvellous providence which gives to all Thy creatures what they most need, we are bowed down in gratitude before the evidences of Thy mercy. O that we might resolutely strive to humbly imitate Thee in doing what is just and in practising what is merciful. O that we might see Thee in the trees and hear Thee in the running brooks and observe Thee in the heavens above and in the waters under the earth. O that we might trust Thee amid the sorrows and joys of life, as we confide in Thee in the brightness of the noon and the darkness of the night. O that we might learn that we are as the tree of the field, that our period of blossoming is short and that we should therefore hasten to do Thy will, our Father in heaven.

The heavens declare Thy glory, O God. Day

unto day uttereth speech and night unto night sheweth knowledge. Thy presence shines in all visible things, while in the invisible realm of love and duty, in the unseen kingdom of justice and equity, in the intangible world of truth and righteousness, Thou art also made manifest. In the soul of man Thou art as clearly seen as in the flower of the field and in the heaven's suns. Lift us up toward Thee by the light of Thy countenance. Guide us, O Thou great Jehovah, so that we may join all nature in singing Thy praises, in fulfilling Thy will, in obeying Thy law. May we sanctify Thee by our lives as we now sanctify Thy name in the words of the inspired prophet, saying:

Holy, Holy, Holy is the Lord of hosts, the whole world is full of His glory. Amen.

(*Choral Response.*)

קדוש קדוש קדוש יהוה צבאות מלא כל הארץ כבודו.

(*Isaiah vi., 3.*)

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FOR THE BEREAVED.

(*See page 15.*)

ANTHEM.

LECTURE.

GOD IN NATURE.

(*To be sung by Choir and Congregation.*)

Thou art, O God, the life and light
Of all this wondrous world we see;
Its glow by day, its smile by night
Are but reflections caught from Thee;
Where'er we turn Thy glories shine,
And all things fair and bright are Thine.

When day, with farewell beam delays
Among the opening clouds of even,
And we can almost think we gaze
Through golden vistas into heaven,
Those hues that make the sun's decline
So soft, so radiant, Lord, are Thine.

When youthful spring around us breathes,
Thy spirit warms her fragrant sigh;
And every flower the summer wreathes
Is born beneath Thy kindling eye;
Where'er we turn Thy glories shine,
And all things fair and bright, are Thine.

—T. Moore.

BENEDICTION.

SERVICE XXVII.

PROEM.

Rabbi:

IN THEE, O, God, is our salvation and our glory. Thou art the rock of our strength and our refuge. We seek Thy presence early, strengthened by the thought that if Thou art with us, the sun will not smite us by day, nor the moon by night. As we lay before Thee the longings of our hearts, grant, O Lord, that the words of our supplications may be nigh unto Thee day and night, and that Thou wilt maintain the cause of Thy servants at all times. O God, preserve us from all evil; keep us in our going out as in our coming in, from this time forth, and even forever. Amen.

LOVE AT HOME.

(*To be sung by Choir and Congregation.*)

There is beauty all around,
When there's love at home;
There is joy in every sound,
When there's love at home.
Peace and plenty there abide,
Smiling fair on every side,
Time doth softly, sweetly glide,
When there's love at home.

Kindly heaven smiles above
When there's love at home;
All the earth is filled with love,
When there's love at home.
Sweeter sings the brooklet by,
Brighter beams the azure sky;
O, there's One who smiles on high
When there's love at home.

—J. H. McNaughton.

GLORIFICATION.

Rabbi:

Our God and our fathers' God, Thou alone art the savior of man. Before Thee there was no god and after Thee there can be none. All that exists is the product of Thy will, for Thou speakest and it comes to pass, Thou commandest and it is established. How manifold are Thy works, in wisdom hast Thou made them all, the earth is full of Thy bounty. Thou sustainest worlds in Thy love, directest them in their courses by Thy wisdom and supportest life thereon in Thy mercy. By Thy will the seasons change, heat and cold, seedtime and harvest, succeeding each other for the benefit of Thy creatures. The day is Thine and the night also; the sun and the moon Thou madest them.

We worship Thee, O God, and bow low before Thee in reverence, for Thou alone art exalted, Thou Maker of the universe, whose beauty never fades and whose wonders are without end. All nature wafts to Thee the fragrance of thanksgiving and sings to thee the harmonious strains of praise. We, too join the choir universal and humbly offer Thee our loving tribute of gratitude. We also lay before Thee our petitions assured that Thou hearkenest unto our supplications. O Thou, whose name is goodness, hear and answer us as we pray:

(*Rabbi and Congregation read this Petition together.*)

Our God, who art in heaven, may the unity of Thy name be proclaimed throughout the world. May the kingdom of righteousness be speedily established on earth. May we accept whatsoever Thou sendest us, saying: This is from the Lord; let Him do what seemeth Him right. Remove our sins far from us and forgive us according to Thy loving-kindness. Help us to be pure of heart and clean of hands. May we deal with our fellowmen as Thou, God, dealest with us, doing justice, loving mercy, seeking equity. May we always bear ourselves as though we felt that Thou God dost see us. May we add to the good in the world and strive to overcome the evil. Grant us sustenance

for soul and body and cause the work of our hands to prosper. We humbly pray Thee to be with us in all the ways we go, and may we sanctify Thy name in life and death through the words of our holy teacher, "Hear, O Israel, the Eternal is our God, the Eternal is One."

(*Choral Response.*)

שמע ישראל יהוה אלהינו יהוה אחד.

(*Deut. vi., 4.*)

OLD TESTAMENT READINGS.

(*For Rabbi, Congregation and Choir respectively.*)

PARENTS AND CHILDREN.

Rabbi:

Honor thy father and thy mother, that thy days
May be long in the land the Lord giveth Thee.

CONGREGATION:

My son hear the instruction of thy father
And forsake not the law of thy mother.

Choir:

Let thy ear retain my words,
Keep my commandments and live.

Train up a child according to his way
And when he is old he will not depart from it.

Correct thy son and he shall give thee rest
Yea, he shall give delight unto thy soul.

He that spareth the rod hateth his son,
But he that loveth him, chastiseth betimes.

Children's children are the crown of old men;
And the glory of children are their fathers.

Hearken unto thy father that begat thee,
And despise not thy mother when she is old.

My son, know thou the God of thy father
And serve Him with perfect and willing soul.

The eye that mocketh at his father,
And despiseth to obey his mother,

The ravens of the valley shall pick it out,
And the young eagles shall eat it.

Cursed be he that speaketh lightly of his father
Or his mother, and all the people shall say, Amen.

Chasten thy son while there is hope;
Let not thy soul spare for his crying.

A fool despiseth his father's instruction;
But he that regardeth reproof is prudent.

The just man waketh in his integrity;
His children are blessed after him.

PRAYER.

Rabbi:

Of all the emotions implanted in our breasts by Thee, O God, love is the holiest, tenderest and purest. It is a reflection of Thy holy spirit, a glimpse of Thy divine being. By Thy will the child responds to the heart-throbs of the parent, so that, from the hour when consciousness awakens, it turns to its natural protector with feelings of trusting joy. May we turn thus to Thee, who leadest us as a father trains the child of his love and rememberest us as a mother who nourishes her infant. May we learn to obey Thy commandments and observe to do Thy bidding.

Thou settest the solitary in families. The sacred ties of the home and the peace of the household are Thy blessing. As Thou art to the human family so makest Thou our parents to be to us. As vines clustering about the walls of Zion so are the little children, whom, in Thy love, Thou sendest to us. O God, we pray Thee to sanctify the members of our households in all their relations. May we be moved toward each other by the holy influence of love. May we bear with each other. May we help each other in trial and defend each other in danger. May we subdue our desires and surrender our wishes for each others' good. Around the domestic

hearth may love cover a multitude of errors and there, may the affections so deepen and strengthen that therefrom we may bear the elevating influence of love into the outer world.

O our Father, we thank Thee for the joys as well as for the trials of parenthood. As we gaze upon the youthful pledges of our affections, we, who are parents, are moved with unspeakable gratitude for the music Thou hast sent into our lives and for the benediction Thou hast granted unto us. We thank Thee for these human flowers which Thou hast sent us to beautify life and which have brought us a glimpse of heaven on earth. Let us not neglect our duties toward them. May we not fear to utter the word of timely reproof, and may we not fail to temper our love by firmness. May we not indulge them to their harm, but may we early train them in the way they should go. May we teach them to sacrifice indolence to industry, pleasure to duty, selfishness to generosity, wordliness to holiness. Grant us wisdom and understanding to guide them toward Thy altar so that they may soon learn the dignity of serving Thee and their fellowmen.

We pray Thee, O Father, that Thy blessing may abide with our children. May they grow into a glorious manhood and virtuous womanhood. Help them to be worthy of the many joys and privileges

with which Thou hast surrounded them. Make them strong in the struggles of life. May they see Thee and follow Thee in all things. May they so act toward Thee and their loved ones that they shall never have reason to indulge in vain self-reproaches and unavailing regrets. May they deal with their parents, as, in the due course of time, they hope their children will deal with them. May parents and childen so act by each other that the glory of the child may be its parents' names and the crown of parenthood may be the noble children reared in reverence for Thee. So help us and so bless us, O God, that from our home and from our lives there may ascend to Thee the refrain chanted of old by the heavenly hosts who called one unto the other:

Holy, Holy, Holy is the Lord of hosts, the whole world is full of His glory. Amen.

(Choral Response.)

קדוש קדוש קדוש יהוה צבאות מלא כל הארץ כבודו.

(Isaiah vi., 3.)

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FOR THE BEREAVED.

(See page 15.)

ANTHEM.

LECTURE.

A MOTHER'S HYMN.

(*To be sung by Choir and Congregation.*)

Lord, who ordainest for mankind
Benignant toils and tender cares,
We thank Thee for the ties that bind
The mother to the child she bears.

We thank Thee for the hopes that rise
Within her heart, as day by day
The dawning soul, from those young eyes,
Looks with a clearer, steadier ray.

And, grateful for the blessing given
With that dear infant on the knee,
She trains the eye to look to heaven,
The voice to lisp a prayer to Thee.

All-gracious! grant to those who bear
A mother's charge, the strength and light
To guide the feet that own their care
In ways of love, and truth, and right.

—W. C. Bryant.

BENEDICTION.

SERVICE XXVIII.

PROEM.

Rabbi:

WE rejoice, O God, that we may approach Thy altar and lay before Thee the tribute of our praise and the burden of our prayer. No word of ours can add to Thy greatness and holiness, neither askest Thou our songs and hymns. It is good for us to draw nigh to Thee, and to sing praises unto Thy name; to shew forth Thy loving-kindness in the morning and Thy faithfulness at all times. Shew us Thy mercy, O Lord, and grant us Thy salvation. Hearken to us, O Shepherd of Israel, and cause Thy face to shine upon us. O Lord of hosts, be with us; O God of Jacob be our refuge. Amen.

ONE WITH GOD AND MAN.

(*To be sung by Choir and Congregation.*)

Eternal Ruler of the ceaseless round
Of circling planets singing on their way;
Guide of the nations from the night profound
Into the glory of the perfect day;
Rule in our hearts that we may ever be
Guided and strengthened and upheld by Thee.

We would be one in hatred of all wrong,
One in our love of all things sweet and fair,
One with the joy that breaketh into song,
One with the grief that trembles into prayer,
One in the power that makes Thy children free
To follow truth and thus to follow Thee.

Oh, clothe us with Thy heavenly armor, Lord!
Thy trusty shield, Thy word of love divine;
Our inspiration be Thy constant word;
We ask no victories that are not Thine;
Give or withhold, let pain or pleasure be,
Enough to know that we are serving Thee.

—J. W. Chadwick.

GLORIFICATION.

Rabbi:

Lord, Thou hast been our dwelling place in all generations. Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever Thou hadst formed the earth and the world, even from everlasting to everlasting, Thou art God. From the rising of the sun to the going down of the same, Thy name is to be praised. Thine is the dominion, and Thou art exalted above the highest. Thine is all we have, and what we offer Thee is from Thy abundant gifts to us. Thou sustainest the living in kindness and in Thy great mercy Thou savest Thy children from spiritual

death. Thou supportest the fallen, healest the sick, loosest the fettered and fulfillest the hope of immortal life, which Thou hast planted in the mind of man. Thou guidest the world in Thy beneficence and conductest all things for the good of Thy creatures. Each day Thou continually renewest Thy work of creation. Thy name is Jehovah, God of life and death, and Thy name is the most high over all the earth. Hear the prayer we offer from the depths of our contrite hearts and grant Thou the petition which we humbly place before Thee, saying:

(*Rabbi and Congregation read this Petition together.*)

Our God, who art in heaven, may the unity of Thy name be proclaimed throughout the world. May the kingdom of righteousness be speedily established on earth. May we accept whatsoever Thou sendest us, saying: This is from the Lord: let Him do what seemeth Him right. Remove our sins far from us and forgive us according to Thy loving-kindness. Help us to be pure of heart and clean of hands. May we deal with our fellowmen as Thou, God, dealest with us, doing justice, loving mercy, seeking equity. May we always bear ourselves as though we felt that Thou God dost see us. May we add to the good in the world and strive to overcome the evil. Grant us sustenance

for soul and body and cause the work of our hands to prosper. We humbly pray Thee to be with us in all the ways we go, and may we sanctify Thy name in life and death through the words of our holy teacher, "Hear, O Israel, the Eternal is our God, the Eternal is One."

(*Choral Response.*)

שמע ישראל יהוה אלהינו יהוה אחד.

(*Deut. vi., 4.*)

OLD TESTAMENT READINGS.

(*For Rabbi, Congregation and Choir respectively.*)

JEW AND NON-JEW.

Rabbi:

For the Lord your God
Is God of gods and Lord of lords;

CONGREGATION:

He doth execute justice
And loveth the stranger.

Choir:

Love ye therefore the stranger, for ye were
Strangers in the land of Egypt.

And if a stranger sojourn with thee
In your land, ye shall not vex him;

As one born in the land among you, shall be
The stranger that sojourneth with you;

Thou shalt love him as thyself:
For ye were strangers in the land of Egypt.

Have we not all one Father?
Hath not one God created us?

The Lord guardeth the strangers;
The fatherless and widow He helpeth up.

Judge righteously between every man,
And between the stranger that is with him.

If thy brother become poor
And fallen into decay with thee;

Then shalt thou relieve him;
Yea, though he be a stranger or a sojourner.

Cursed be he that perverteth the judgment
Of the stranger; And all the people shall say, Amen.

One law and one code shall be for you
And for the stranger that sojourneth with you.

Thou shalt neither vex a stranger
Nor oppress him.

For ye know the heart of a stranger,
Seeing ye were strangers in the land of Egypt.

PRAYER.

Rabbi:

Thy love, O God, is ever enduring; it is as high as the unscaled heavens and as profound as the unmeasured depths of the ocean. It is like the light of the sun which warms the earth for all Thy children and brightens alike the palace of the king and the hut of the beggar. It is like the bounteous crops which supply the needs of the high-born and lowly. It is like the azure arch which spans the earth and domes it, and all that dwell thereon, beneath its wide-spreading canopy. It is like the ever-flowing ocean, whose waters bathe the coasts of all the continents. It is like the birds' songs which delight the ears of all who may hear. It is like the perfume exhaled by the flowers which charm all who behold them. Thy love embraces both Jew and non-Jew, Israel and the Gentiles, as well as pagans and unbelievers. Thou art the merciful Father of all men. Before Thee the barriers erected by human hands are as nought, and man-made distinctions of creed cannot restrict Thy limitless love.

As all Thy children are of one family, as all mankind are of the same dust and ashes, as all are animated by Thy spirit, grant, O God, that concord may dwell among us. May peace reign within our

homes and brotherly love abide in our hearts. May all that call Thee by the sweet name of Father, be banded together by a unity of purpose to bring near the days of righteousness on earth, to deepen and widen all religious aspirations, to overcome the forces of irreligion by a consecration of life to Thy service. May we never be guilty, in our intercourse with each other, of anything that is inconsistent with the spirit of true religion. May we no more infringe the rights of others than we would have them infringe ours. May we strive to overcome our own faults, correct our own evil doings, adorn our own character with the gems of morality and the jewels of spirituality, before we attempt to sit in judgment on others.

Lord God, strengthen within us the conviction that character is more than creed, that men are to be judged by their actions rather than by their fathers' statements of principles, by their lives rather than by their articles of faith. May we, therefore, never harbor against any of Thy children any ill-will or unbrotherliness because of a difference of religious views. Faithful we should be to Thee and to Israel's calling, but our faithfulness to Thee can never preclude us from acting in the spirit of affectionate justice towards others, whose love for Thee assumes a different form.

O that we might value justice and equity, love and mercy, above all possessions! Thus may peace and joy, holiness and light rise for all men; thus may bigotry and fanaticism disappear. We do most fervently and prayerfully ask that Thou wilt grant to men of all hues and to people of every shade of opinion, the blessings that we seek of Thee for ourselves. May truth triumph over error. May those who are chained by the unpitying power of ignorance or are fettered by the brutal strength of prejudice, throw off the shackles that bind their minds and hearts.

Send Thy blessing to all who toil for the glory of Thy name. Prosper every undertaking that seeks for its end the dissemination of the light of truth. Be with all the teachers in our religious and secular schools. Bless all churches, and cause their labors for mankind's good to succeed. May the young of all creeds grow up in godly reverence, in virtue and piety. As our prayer is offered before Thee this day, O God, we remember all the children of men. We pray for the bond and the free, for those who worship Thee as do Thy people Israel and for those who differ from us in their worship of Thee, for all parents and children, for all rulers and leaders of men, for all lands and nations as well as for our own chosen representatives and our own

dearly loved country. May the spirit of true worship grow with us and with all. Before Thee may all consider themselves brethren. Through Thee, may mankind rise from strength to strength, from height to height, until all shall praise and adore Thee, repeating these words of Israel's great teacher:

Holy, Holy, Holy, is the Lord of hosts, the whole world is full of His glory. Amen.

(Choral Response.)

קדוש קדוש קדוש יהוה צבאות מלא כל הארץ כבודו.

(Isaiah vi., 3.)

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ANTHEM.

LECTURE.

LOVE FOR ALL.

(*To be sung by Choir and Congregation.*)

O Father! when the softened heart
Is lifted up in prayer to Thee,
When earthly thoughts awhile depart
And leave the mounting spirit free:—

Then teach us that our love, like Thine,
O'er all the realms of earth should flow,
A shoreless stream, a flood divine,
No lines of race or hue should know.

Not bound by party, caste or creed,
All narrow realms of self above;
For whoso of our love hath need,
To him we owe the dues of love.

Into the circle lift us up
Of Thy divine beneficence;
And, freely as Thou fill'st our cup,
Freely may we to all dispense.

—Anon.

BENEDICTION.

SERVICE XXIX.

PROEM.

Rabbi:

WE come before Thee, our Father, seeking purer vision, that we may see the momentary value of earthly things and the eternal worth of truth and holiness. We pray for more light, for the spirit of wisdom and understanding. We ask Thee, O God, to reveal Thy glory unto us, to help us to see Thee as the Cause of all, our beneficent and benevolent God. Let the sun of righteousness arise that we may walk in its light. Let Thy word inspire us to deeds of justice and acts of love. May our lives outside Thy house be in keeping with our professions within these sacred walls. May we praise Thee as fully by our deeds as we seek to extol Thee by the words of our lips and the meditations of our hearts. Amen.

THE BOOK OF BOOKS.

(*To be sung by Choir and Congregation.*)

Book of books, O book of glory!
Book of hope to age and youth,
Wondrous is thy sacred story,
Bright, bright with truth.

Book of love! in accents tender
Speaking unto such as we;
May it lead us, Lord, to render
All, all to Thee.

Book of life, when we, reposing,
Bid farewell to friends we love,
Give us, for the life then closing,
Life, life above.

—T. Mackellar.

GLORIFICATION.

Rabbi:

Almighty and everlasting God, we are Thine and all we have is given to us by Thy beneficence. All our blessings and joys, all our happiness and successes, all our chastening trials and uplifting sorrows, are sent to us by Thee. Thou art our sun and our shield, our ever-present help in the day of trouble. Thou art a never-failing fountain of mercy, an ever-flowing source of justice and equity. With Thee, love and tenderness, righteousness and goodness are unending. All that hath life may perish, Thou wilt abide forever. Seasons may come and go, tides may ebb and flow, generation may succeed generation, shattering revolutions may change the face of the earth, dynasty may follow dynasty

and nation suppress nation, worlds and systems of worlds may cease revolving in their ordained orbits, but Thou wilt continue to inhabit eternity, forever high and exalted above all things. Before Thee every knee must bend in reverence, unto Thee every hand will be raised in gratitude, every tongue will praise Thee and every heart love Thee. Attach us ever to Thy worship and may we render Thee praise throughout our lives by loving deeds and pure actions, inspired by a consideration of Thy holiness and love. Hear us Father, as we offer before Thee our prayer and grant us our request as we approach Thee saying:

(*Rabbi and Congregation read this Petition together.*)

Our God, who art in heaven, may the unity of Thy name be proclaimed throughout the world. May the kingdom of righteousness be speedily established on earth. May we accept whatsoever Thou sendest us, saying: This is from the Lord; let Him do what seemeth Him right. Remove our sins far from us and forgive us according to Thy loving-kindness. Help us to be pure of heart and clean of hands. May we deal with our fellowmen as Thou, God, dealest with us, doing justice, loving mercy, seeking equity. May we always bear ourselves as though we felt that Thou God dost see us. May we add to the good in the world and

strive to overcome the evil. Grant us sustenance for soul and body and cause the work of our hands to prosper. We humbly pray Thee to be with us in all the ways we go, and may we sanctify Thy name in life and death through the words of our holy teacher, "Hear, O Israel, the Eternal is our God, the Eternal is One."

(Choral Response.)

שמע ישראל יהוה אלהינו יהוה אחד.

(Deut. vi., 4.)

OLD TESTAMENT READINGS.

(For Rabbi, Congregation and Choir respectively.)

HOLY SCRIPTURE.

Rabbi:

And God said, Let there be light,
And there was light.

CONGREGATION:

This book of the law
Shall not depart out of Thy mouth;

Choir:

Thou shalt meditate therein day and night
That thou mayest do all that is written therein.

Ye shall lay up these My words
In your heart and in your soul;

Teach them to your children and speak
Of them, when thou sittest in thy house,

And when thou walkest by the way;
When thou liest down, and when thou risest up.

Keep and do them; for this is your wisdom
And understanding, in the sight of nations.

The grass withereth, the flower fadeth
But the word of our God shall stand forever.

I have esteemed the words of His mouth
More than my necessary food.

The commandment is a lamp
And the law is a light;

It is a tree of life to them that hold it,
And happy is every one that retaineth it;

Its ways are ways of pleasantness,
And all its paths are peace.

Man doth not live by bread alone, but by all
That proceedeth out of the mouth of God.

The law of Thy mouth is better unto me
Than thousands of gold and silver.

My tongue shall speak of Thy word
For all Thy commandments are righteousness.

PRAYER.

Rabbi:

All Thy gifts to Thy children are exceedingly good, O Father; all that Thou hast provided for their needs is excellent. Thou speakest and the flowers bloom; Thou but desirest and the earth is covered with bread. At Thy word the fields give their fruits and the rivers and oceans yield supplies for man's needs. Daily Thou causest man to be fed from the unfailing sources of Thy beneficence.

But not by bread alone can man live. Though his physical needs are great and depend upon Thee for satisfaction, his mental and spiritual wants are not less pressing. For these, too, hast Thou made ample provision. As of old Thou didst command, Let there be light, and the physical universe was at once brightened, so has man's mind been illumined by the rays of wisdom with which Thou didst illumine the chosen of the earth, the prophets and seers, the philosophers and teachers, the thinkers and writers, the inventors and discoverers of all lands, who thought Thy thoughts after Thee. We thank Thee, O God, for all those who, by their words or works, have helped to uplift their fellowmen; who have aided in rending asunder the shackles of ignorance, and in leading men from

physical, moral and mental slavery to the Sinai of knowledge, liberty and truth.

We are grateful to Thee for those who bore humanity's burden, who wandered about despised and rejected, who were denied by their fellows and were the outcasts of men, yet who were Thy chosen servants, and are to-day received as mankind's masters. Overcome by men in their day, they are the leaders and conquerors of mankind to-day. May we treasure their words and honor them by following the laws they have disclosed to us. May all the books in which are inscribed revelations of Thee be dear to us. As Thou speakest to us in the book of nature, so speakest Thou to us in the volumes containing the longings of the human soul for Thee, and in which are recounted the aspirations of the human heart after the living God.

Help us to keep Thy laws made known to us in the universe. May we live as Thou desirest, and may we walk in the way of Thy commands. May Thy statutes be precious in our sight. May the truth be dear unto us. May it be a light unto our feet and a guide as we traverse the path of life; for it is a tree of life to all who lay hold of it, and all who support it are blessed; its ways are ways of pleasantness and all its paths lead to peace. Give us ears wherewith to hear the words Thou speak-

est to us through our conscience. May we not be deaf to its appeal; but help us, O God, to heed it and to respect it and give it faithful attention.

Almighty God, of whom Israel's prophets taught, and to whose glory they dedicated the fruits of their wisdom, inspire us with reverence for the sacred book which they have left us as our priceless treasure and precious inheritance. Help us to cleave to it and make its laws the rules of our life. Walking by its light may we be able to overcome temptations and subdue every inclination to wrong doing. Teach us to faithfully obey Thy will and guide all Thy children in the way everlasting. Thus may all men rise to honor Thee and praise Thy name by the holiness of their deeds; thus may all be able to join in sanctifying Thy holy name in the words chanted by the angels of light and truth, who gathered around Thy celestial throne and sang:

Holy, Holy, Holy is the Lord of hosts, the whole world is full of His glory. Amen.

(*Choral Response.*)

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ANTHEM.

LECTURE.

THE LAW OF GOD.

(*To be sung by Choir and Congregation.*)

How blessed are they whose lives are pure,
  And upright in the way;
Who in the Lord's most holy law
  Do walk and do not stray.

O blest are they who to observe
  His statutes are inclined,
And who do seek the living God
  With their whole heart and mind.

O that Thy statutes to observe
  Thou wouldst my way direct;
Then shall I not be stained, when I
  Thy precepts all respect.

Upon Thy statutes my delight
  Shall constantly be set;
And by Thy grace I never will
  Thy holy law forget.

—Scotch Psalter.

BENEDICTION.

SERVICE XXX.

PROEM.

Rabbi:

ALL people whom Thou hast made shall come and worship before Thee, O Lord, and glorify Thy name. Therefcre are we assembled in Thy house to raise our souls on high by bending low before Thee. Teach us Thy way, O Lord, so that we may walk in Thy truth; unite our hearts to revere Thee. Be with us in this hour of prayer, so that we may go in Thy strength, so that we may order our conversation aright and thus see Thy salvation. Be Thou our strong habitation whereunto we may resort. Enlighten us through Thy word, guide us in Thy mercy. Hide not Thy face from Thy servants, but hear our prayer, O Lord of hosts, give ear, O God of Jacob. Amen.

UNITED.

(*To be sung by Choir and Congregation.*)

Now is the time approaching,
By prophets long foretold,
When all shall dwell together,
One Shepherd and one fold.
Let all that now divides us
Remove and pass away,
Like shadows of the morning
Before the blaze of day.

Let all that now unites us
More sweet and lasting prove,
A closer bond of union,
In a blest land of love.
Let war be learned no longer,
Let strife and turmoil cease
All earth God's blessed kingdom,
Adorned with flowers of peace.

O long-expected dawning,
Come with thy cheering ray!
When shall the morning brighten,
The shadows flee away?
O sweet anticipation!
It cheers the watchers on,
To pray and hope and labor,
Till the dark night be gone.

—J. Bosthwick.

GLORIFICATION.

Rabbi:

Blessed be Thy name, O Lord, from this time forth and for evermore. Thou art high above all nations, and Thy glory is above the heavens. Thy kingdom is an everlasting kingdom and Thy dominion endureth through all generations. The day is thine and the night also; summer and winter are formed by Thee. The whole universe is a temple reared to Thy honor and glory. It is illuminated by the glorious rays of the sun, by the pale light of the calm moon

and by the scintillating glow of myriads of stars. Its aisles and altars are the smiling valleys, the thickly-wooded forests, the fruit-laden and harvest-covered fields, the rolling hills and the snow-capped mountains. Its organ sends forth the gentle music of the zephyrs, and the long-resounding tones of the reverberating thunder. Its choral chants and sublime songs are intoned in wondrous harmonies by the moving spheres. Its congregation is all that hath life and its ministering priests are all Thy children. Not unto us, O Lord, not unto us, but unto Thy name are ascribed mercy and truth by all which Thy loving hand hath made. We worship Thee and glorify Thee, Creator of all, and we also fall prostrate before Thee, praying:

(*Rabbi and Congregation read this Petition together.*)

Our God, who art in heaven, may the unity of Thy name be proclaimed throughout the world. May the kingdom of righteousness be speedily established on earth. May we accept whatsoever Thou sendest us, saying: This is from the Lord; let Him do what seemeth Him right. Remove our sins far from us and forgive us according to Thy loving-kindness. Help us to be pure of heart and clean of hands. May we deal with our fellowmen as Thou, God, dealest with us, doing justice, loving mercy, seeking equity. May we always bear our-

selves as though we felt that Thou God dost see us. May we add to the good in the world and strive to overcome the evil. Grant us sustenance for soul and body and cause the work of our hands to prosper. We humbly pray Thee to be with us in all the ways we go, and may we sanctify Thy name in life and death through the words of our holy teacher, "Hear, O Israel, the Eternal is our God, the Eternal is One."

(*Choral Response.*)

שמע ישראל יהוה אלהינו יהוה אחד.

(*Deut. vi., 4.*)

OLD TESTAMENT READINGS.

(*For Rabbi, Congregation and Choir respectively.*)

THE MESSIAH.

Rabbi:

It shall come to pass in the last days
As the mouth of the Lord hath spoken:

CONGREGATION:

Nation shall not lift sword against nation,
Neither shall they learn war any more;

Choir:

They shall beat their swords into plowshares
And their spears into pruning-hooks.

The wolf shall dwell with the lamb,
The leopard shall lie down with the kid,

The calf and young lion and fatling together,
And a little child shall lead them.

They shall not hurt nor destroy
In all my holy mountain.

Violence shall no more be heard in Thy land
Nor wasting, nor destruction, in thy borders.

They shall sit every man under his own vine
And fig-tree; and none shall make them afraid.

The earth shall be filled with the knowledge
Of the glory of God, as the waters fill the sea.

The sun shall no more give thee light by day,
Nor for brightness shall the moon give light;

But thy God shall be thy glory,
And an everlasting light unto thee.

The nations shall come to thy light, O Israel,
And kings to the brightness of thy shining.

A new heart will I give unto you
And a new spirit will I put within you,

I will take away the heart of stone
And I will give you a heart of flesh.

The Lord shall be King over all the earth;
On that day He shall be One and His name One.

PRAYER.

Rabbi:

O Lord our God, may it be Thy will that we ever cling to Thee, serving all the holy causes that tend to uplift man. May we not limit our worship to silent meditation or enraptured contemplation, but may we wisely and righteously transform the wishes of our hearts and the concepts of our minds into noble deeds dedicated to the good and welfare of our fellow-men. May we clearly perceive that all human beings in whose veins courses the warm blood are Thy children and, therefore, our brethren whom we should love as Thou lovest us.

Help us to fulfil Thy law of love towards all men. May we understand that only by duty fulfilled, in small as in great things, and by loving service to mankind, can we hope to draw near the blessed era of the Messiah. In that joyous time of universal peace and general good-will, the harvests of moral and spiritual power, sown in the blood of the martyrs and heroes of all ages, will be reaped and gathered in. For its speedy coming we toil and labor. To bring it nigh we pledge our existence as members of the house of Israel. Help us to be faithful to our ennobling duty, loyal to our high calling as priests of Thy word and teachers of Thy unity, by the recognition of which all men will be bound by the ties of co-operation and unity.

Long have we waited for the advent of that time, O God. Long have we prayed for the days when the belief in Thy Fatherhood should produce human brotherhood on earth. Yet the day of blessed promise is not yet here. Not until hate and malice have disappeared, not until schools take the place of prisons and temples of learning supplant penitentiaries, not until the arts of peace are the only arts practised, not until all superstitions and ignorance, all evil and corruption are destroyed, not until Thy holy name is praised by all men all the world over and Thy absolute unity is acknowledged by all Thy children, not until justice flows like a river and righteousness like a mighty cataract, not until then can we believe that Messiah has come.

Speed, O Lord, the appearance of that age when all nations and all the peoples of all languages will be bound into one great family. Though it tarry still will we hope and pray and strive for the approximation of the time, when men will address each other by the fond appellation of brother, when religion will be as divine music to whose inspiring themes mankind will march on to victory and life on earth will be as the days of heaven. Remember, O Lord, the people who sit in darkness. Let the great light of truth and justice rise for them. May liberty soon be proclaimed throughout the world to all the inhabitants thereof.

May whatever has been accomplished for the benefit of men, be but a sign and token of what yet shall be achieved. May the good already done be the pledge of the better that is yet to come.

Fill us, O God, with a love of all that is pure and holy, honest and upright. May each of us strive to be a faithful priest, ministering in the temple of humanity. We ask not for wealth lest we deny Thee, nor for power lest we forsake Thee; but we pray for a wealth of moral strength and great power of spirituality, that we may serve Thee and our fellow-men, by deeds of love. May we make Thy house a house of prayer for all people. Help us to see that in our service of truth we stand on holy ground. May each keep his hands clean and his heart pure. May each honor Thee by hallowing his life.

We thank Thee, O God, for the privilege that is ours to witness for Thee. May we prove ourselves worthy members of the house of spiritual Israel. Whatsoever Thou sendest us, enable us to accept it in the faith that Thou knowest what is best for us. Here and now, as in all places and at all times, mayest Thou be glorified through Thy servant Israel, consecrated to be a blessing unto all men. Be with us as we depart to-day, at the close of these services. Into Thy hand we commit our spirit; do with us as Thou wilt. But we pray Thee, in Thy mercy do Thou command

Thy angels to keep guard over us in all the ways we go. Do Thou, O God, be with us in our going out, as Thou wast with us in our coming in. May all we do and say be to the glory of Thy holy name, and through us may men be inspired to acknowledge Thee and to sanctify Thee with the threefold sanctification chanted to Thee by the choirs of Thy angelic messengers, who call one unto the other:

Holy, Holy, Holy, is the Lord of hosts, the whole world is full of His glory. Amen.

(*Choral Response.*)

קדוש קדוש קדוש יהוה צבאות מלא כל הארץ כבודו.

(*Isaiah vi., 3.*)

(*The Rabbi shall read the Ten Commandments or a selection from the Scriptures, appropriate to the Lecture of the Day.*)

FOR THE BEREAVED.

(*See page 15.*)

ANTHEM.

LECTURE.

BROTHERHOOD.

(*To be sung by Choir and Congregation.*)

Hush the loud cannon's roar,
The frantic warrior's call!
Why should the earth be drenched with gore?
Are we not brothers all?

Want, from the wretch depart!
Chains, from the captive fall!
Sweet mercy, melt the oppressor's heart
Sufferers are brothers all.

Churches and sects, strike down
Each mean partition wall!
Let Love each harsher feeling drown;
For men are brothers all.

Let Love and Truth alone
Hold human hearts in thrall,
That heaven its work at length may own,
And men be brothers all.

—Johns.

BENEDICTION.

Supplement.

ORDER OF SERVICE

FOR

THANKSGIVING DAY.

OH, SING UNTO GOD.

(*To be sung by Choir and Congregation.*)

Now thank we all our God
With heart and hand and voices:
Who wondrous things hath done,
In Whom His world rejoices;
Who, from our mother's arms,
Hath blessed us on our way
With countless gifts of love,
And still is ours to-day.

Oh, may this bounteous God
Through all our life be near us,
With ever joyful hearts
And blessed peace to cheer us;
And keep us in His grace,
And guide us when perplexed,
And free us from all ills
In this world and the next.

—M. Rinkart.

PROEM.

Rabbi:

O be joyful in the Lord, all the land; serve the Lord with gladness, come before His presence with singing.

Enter into His gates with thanksgiving, and into His courts with praises; be thankful unto Him and bless His name.

For the Lord is gracious, His mercy is everlasting; and His truth endureth from generation to generation.

O, that men would praise the Lord for His goodness and for His wonderful works to the children of men.

For He satisfieth the longing soul, and filleth the hungry soul with goodness.

In such words as these, Holy Writ often urges us to approach the altar of God with offerings of thanksgivings. At all times we are invited to express our appreciation of God's bounty by serving Him with holy joy, but more especially is it seemly that we do so on this day when the people of the whole land assemble to chant hymns of praise and psalms of thankfulness for the Divine goodness. Let us, therefore, enter into the spirit of this na-

tional festival. Come, let us sing unto the Lord; let us exult in the Rock of our salvation. Let us come before Him with thanksgiving, and rejoice before Him with psalms.

NATURE'S GIFTS.

(*To be sung by Choir and Congregation.*)

Praise, oh, praise our God and King
Hymns of adoration sing!
For His mercies still endure,
Ever faithful, ever sure.

Praise Him that He gave the rain
To mature the swelling grain,
And hath bid the fruitful field
Crops of precious increase yield.

Praise Him for our harvest store;
He hath filled the garner-floor:
And for richer food than this,
Pledge of everlasting bliss.

Glory to our bounteous King,
Glory let creation sing;
For His mercies still endure,
Ever faithful, ever sure.

—Sir H. W. Baker.

OLD TESTAMENT READINGS.

(For Rabbi, Congregation and Choir respectively.)

THANKSGIVING.

Rabbi:

It is meet to give thanks unto the Lord
To sing praises unto the Most High.

CONGREGATION:

To declare Thy mercy in the morning,
And Thy faithfulness in the night seasons.

Choir:

For the word of the Lord is right,
All His works are done in truth.

Sing praises to God, sing praises;
Sing praises unto our King, sing praises.

For God is King of all the earth;
Sing ye praises with understanding.

Offer unto God thanksgiving,
Pay thy vows to the Most High.

I will praise Thee with all my heart,
I will shew forth all Thy wondrous works.

I will be glad and rejoice in Thee
And sing praises to Thy name, O Most High.

Ascribe unto God the glory due His name,
Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness.

I will bless Thee while I live,
I will lift up my hands in Thy name.

Thou visitest the earth and waterest it,
Thou enrichest it with Thy rivers, O God.

Thou crownest the year with Thy goodness
And all Thy paths are full of fertility.

Mercy and truth are met together
Righteousness and peace have kissed.

Truth shall spring out of the earth,
Righteousness shall look down from heaven.

The Lord shall give that which is good,
And our land shall yield her increase.

Blessed be the Lord God of our salvation
Who daily loadeth us with benefits.

O give thanks unto the God of heaven
Who giveth food to all flesh.

O give thanks to the Lord for He is good
For His mercy endureth forever.

INVOCATION.

Rabbi:

Almighty Father! We are more and more deeply impressed that it is good to draw nigh unto Thee. To feel near Thee makes us strong and ele-

vates us in our daily life. To feel near Thee cheers us and yields us hope when we are sad and despairing. To feel near Thee gives increased force and purity to our joys. It is good to draw nigh to Thee, therefore, to-day, when we desire to thank Thee for the manifold evidences of Thy Fatherly goodness experienced by us during the seasons past.

We thank Thee, O God, for all the manifestations of Thy love which cling to our life as the ivy hangs about the forest giant. We thank Thee for the peace and plenty which dwell within our homes, for the happiness that has adorned our lives, for the hope of our young ones. We thank Thee that Thou hast banished strife and discord from among us and that the light of fraternal good-will sheds its lustre about us. We desire to attribute to Thy hand the power that has effected the wonderful progress of our land. We fully recognize that if the Lord build not the house, in vain do they labor who toil thereat. Not unto us, O Lord, not unto us, but unto Thee, be ascribed the glory and the honor, for Thy mercy and loving-kindness have ever been with us. Lord God, accept the tribute of praise which we lay before Thee for the help Thou hast granted in all our undertakings. We thank Thee for our civic growth and for the prosperity that blesses the work of our hands. We especially

bring before Thee our thank-offering as a congregation, for the peace and joy of our community and for the outpouring of Thy grace towards us in our congregational life. To Thee, Lord God of Israel, throned in the heavenly heights amid the cherubim; to Thee, Jehovah, Father of all men, have we dedicated and consecrated our efforts; to the glory of Thy name have we brought our sacrifices, in sincerity of heart and earnestness of purpose. We thank Thee for the divine favor of Thy acceptance of our gifts and resolutions. Help us to serve Thee always with a perfect heart, as we do this day. May we never be found wanting when weighed in the balance of justice and righteousness, but may we ever make manifest, before Thee and before all men, our appreciation of Thy unmerited loving-kindness, by leading a just, merciful and equitable life.

And as we thank Thee for all our joys, so, O God, we bless Thee, for the burdens Thou hast laid upon us, during the seasons just past. Many of us called unto Thee out of the depths of our own grief, and Thou didst answer us and grant us Thy aid. Thou hast never left us nor forsaken us, but

hast been our ever-present help in distress, our shield and fortress in the day of trouble.

So, O God, continue to be with us and our land. Grant Thy divine light to the President of the United States and all allied with him in authority, to the Governors and officers of our States and cities, that through them order may be maintained and peace and progress fostered. Bring all who worship Thee under whatsoever name, but always Thee, our Father, into closer bonds of union. And as for us, O Lord, reverently and worshipfully we bend before Thee and pray:

(*Rabbi and Congregation read this Petition together.*)

Our God, who art in heaven, may the unity of Thy name be proclaimed throughout the world. May the kingdom of righteousness be speedily established on earth. May we accept whatsoever Thou sendest us, saying: This is from the Lord; let Him do what seemeth Him right. Remove our sins far from us and forgive us according to Thy loving-kindness. Help us to be pure of heart and clean of hands. May we deal with our fellowmen as Thou, God, dealest with us, doing justice, loving mercy, seeking equity. May we always bear ourselves as though we felt that Thou God dost see us. May we add to the good in the world and strive to overcome the evil. Grant us sustenance for soul

and body and cause the work of our hands to prosper. We humbly pray Thee to be with us in all the ways we go, and may we sanctify Thy name in life and death through the words of our holy teacher, "Hear, O Israel, the Eternal is our God, the Eternal is Unity."

(*Choral Response.*)

שמע ישראל יהוה אלהינו יהוה אחד.

(*Deut. vi., 4.*)

SCRIPTURE READING.

(*Genesis xii; Joshua i; Deuteronomy xi; Psalm lxvii.*)

Now the Lord said unto Abram, Get thee out of thy country, and from thy kindred, and from thy father's house, unto a land that I will shew thee.

And I will make of thee a great nation, and I will bless thee, and make thy name great: and thou shalt be a blessing.

Every place that the sole of thy foot shall tread upon, that have I given unto thee.

There shall not any man be able to stand before thee all the days of thy life: as I was with Moses so I will be with thee: I will not fail thee, nor forsake thee.

Be strong and of a good courage: for unto this people shalt thou divide for an inheritance the land, which I sware unto their fathers to give them.

Only be thou strong and very courageous, that thou mayest observe to do according to all the law, which Moses my servant commanded thee: turn not from it to the right hand or to the left, that thou mayest prosper whithersoever thou goest.

This book of the law shall not depart out of thy mouth; but thou shalt meditate therein day and night, that thou mayest observe to do according to all that is written therein; for then thou shalt make thy way prosperous, and then thou shalt have good success.

Have not I commanded thee? Be strong and of good courage; be not afraid, neither be thou dismayed: for the Lord thy God is with thee whithersoever thou goest.

Therefore shall ye keep all the commandments which I command you this day, that ye may be strong, and go in and possess the land, whither ye go to possess it.

And that ye may prolong your days in the land, which the Lord sware unto your fathers to give unto them and to their seed, a land that floweth with milk and honey.

For the land, whither thou goest in to possess it, is not as the land of Egypt, from whence ye came out, where thou sowedst thy seed, and wateredst it with thy foot, as a garden of herbs.

But the land, whither ye go to possess it, is a land of hills and valleys, and drinketh water of the rain of heaven.

A land which the Lord thy God careth for; the eyes of the Lord thy God are always upon it, from the beginning of the year even unto the end of the year.

God be merciful unto us, and bless us; and cause his face to shine upon us.

That thy way may be known upon earth, thy saving health among all nations.

Let the people praise thee, O God; let all the people praise thee.

O let the nations be glad and sing for joy; for thou shalt judge the people righteously, and govern the nations upon earth.

Let the people praise thee, O God; let all the people praise thee.

Then shall the earth yield her increase; and God, even our own God, shall bless us.

May God bless us; and may all the ends of the earth fear him.

FOR THE BEREAVED.

(*See page 15.*)

ANTHEM.

LECTURE.

MY COUNTRY, 'TIS OF THEE.

(*To be sung by Choir and Congregation.*)

My country 'tis of thee,
Sweet land of liberty,
Of thee I sing:
Land where my fathers died,
Land of the pilgrim's pride
From every mountain side
Let freedom ring!

My native country, thee,
Land of the noble free,
Thy name I love:
I love thy rocks and rills,
Thy woods and templed hills;
My heart with rapture thrills
Like that above.

Our father's God, to Thee,
Author of liberty
To Thee we sing:
Long may our land be bright
With freedom's holy light;
Protect us by Thy might,
Great God our King.

BENEDICTION.

FOR THE BEREAVED.

(*In place of the prayer on page 15, the Rabbi may read one of the following.*)

II.

Our God which art in heaven, may Thy holy name be hallowed, both now and evermore, for all Thy ways are just and good. Thou art a God of truth and without iniquity; Thou art righteous in whatsoever Thou doest. Thou sendest Thy spirit, we are created; Thou takest away our breath, we die and we return to dust. This is Thy way with us. We do not understand and are as little children groping in thick darkness. The shadows of death have encompassed our dear ones; our hearts are heavy, our spirits droop, because tender bonds have been rent asunder, because loved ones, upon whose earthly forms we shall not look again, have left our sides.

Be Thou nigh to those who mourn the loss of their nearest and dearest, and to those who tearfully remember their beloved dead on this anniversary of their home-going. Lead them to Thy altar and enable them to trust Thy unfailing goodness. Their path is dark, send them light! Their hearts are broken; bind Thou their wounds! Their sorrow weaves about them a drapery of mourning;

do Thou turn their weeping into the holy joy of reliance on their God! They sigh for the touch of a vanished hand and for the sound of the voice that is still; do Thou, O God, hold to their lips the cup of Thy consolation and comfort them with the assurance of the higher and better life where they will finally join the lost loved ones! As we repeat the solemn Kaddish prayer, in memory of our departed, grant, O Father, that its teachings of resignation to Thy holy will and of our duty to hallow Thy name in all of our experiences, be they joyous or sad, may be fulfilled in us all. May this memorial service prove a solace to all afflicted hearts. May it lead those who mourn to find their surest comfort in seeking Thee and in being true to the best teachings of those in honor of whom we all now rise in prayer. Amen.

(*Turn to page 16.*)

III.

"My thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways My ways, saith the Lord. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are My ways higher than your ways, and My thoughts than your thoughts." Ponder on this all ye that are weary and heavy-laden. The decrees of God, so often beyond our understanding, even when awful

and mysterious, are framed for the best ends. We would have the trees always green, and the sunshine perennial. We would have the birds of the fields always enchant us with their refreshing music. We would banish cloud and rain, cold and biting frost, lest they depress and sadden us. We would have earth be a Paradise, free from temptation and sorrow. But God's ways are not our ways. The fruits are the better for the frost, just as earth and trees are better for the rain. Birds' songs are the sweeter, the sun's rays are the brighter, the flowers deck themselves in more radiant hue, because we have them not always. Even the miseries incidental to life have their beneficent and sanctifying influence, and death itself is a loving friend, bringing peace to the departed, and kissing into life the gentler and sweeter impulses of the survivors' nature.

Suffering has a meaning. Sorrow has a message. Pain has a purpose. Death has a mission. Not in anger, but in mercy, are these ministering angels of God sent on their way to reap and to sow, to root up and to seed, to bruise and to heal. It is not our way, but it is God's way. It is a discipline, hard and severe, but a discipline fruitful in blessings. Thus to believe is to obtain a light amid the darkest grief. Thus to believe is to find a hallowing

joy amid the most harrowing misery. Thus to believe is to find a sheltering ark amid the floods of suffering.

Our ancient Kaddish prayer sanctifies this belief. It encircles our sorrow with a halo of resignation. It turns our thoughts from our affliction to the God of mercy. It bids us hallow the name of the Ruler of life and death, and confess amid the tears of regret and the sobs of bereavement: Not our way, but Thine, O God; not our thoughts, but Thine, O Lord; not our will, but Thine, O Father, be accomplished! Rise ye then, for the Kaddish prayer, which we recite in memory of our departed dear ones. May its sanctifying influence be realized in you. May it teach you to bear the visitation of God and to hold your souls in peace in the hour of your grief. May it help you to hallow the name of God and praise Him for the good and the evil, for sunshine and cloud, for joy and sorrow. Amen.

(*Turn to page 16.*)

IV.

All ye, into whose lives has recently come the shadow of a great grief, and all ye who, to-day, recall the sad hour when your loved ones left your sides to sleep their last earthly sleep, remember

now the words of our teachers. Death is not the end. Only the mortal part of your beloved has commingled with the clay; their spiritual part has winged its flight to the abode of the Father of all. No more do they labor or toil; death has brought them rest. No more need they suffer or groan; death has brought them healing. There, as here, they are safe in the keeping of their Maker. There, as here, they are under the protection of His endless love.

Comfort ye, comfort ye, saith your God. Give expression to your sorrow, but let the sunshine of religion shine on your tears and the rainbow of hope will appear. Try to realize that life on earth is but the ante-chamber to the temple of eternity, and that death is the door to that sacred edifice. Try to understand that it is well with those who have passed beyond, that they have exchanged the burden of mortality for the crown of unending life; that on the brow where your warm kisses would press, God has imprinted the seal of immortality.

The dead are with God and therefore enjoy a bliss, which eye has not seen and which passes human understanding to describe. The Kaddish prayer, which you are about to recite, urges you, therefore, to bless His holy name and to bow resignedly before Him in adversity, as you are ready

to praise Him in prosperity. It directs your attention from the dead and invites you to consider the living. It respects your sorrow and hallows it, but it urges you to sanctify your grief by dedicating yourselves to noble deeds in memory of the sainted lives, the loss of which you mourn. It would have you shed your tear for the dead, but it points out your duty of shedding a little light on the path of the living, in memory of your beloved dead. Not in the belief that it can effect any change in the condition of the dead is the Kaddish repeated, but rather to induce us, the survivors, to consecrate ourselves to their honor, by loving service to the living. Rise ye, then, all, in memory of those who have gone, whither we, too, must go, and repeat, with me, the ancient form of sanctification of the Divine Name. May its best teachings find fulfillment in your thoughts, words and deeds. Amen.

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